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West Paris selectmen pick up \$500,000 in unreported valuation

By ANNE MALLORY

Selectmen have been recently assessing property here in West Paris and have reported that they have picked up approximately \$500,000 in assessed value so far that was not reported by residents.

Selectman Phil Hyam said that many residents did not hand in their list of estates to the town office, and that there are many homes in the town that will need to be checked out by the assessors for tax purposes.

Rural routes and box numbers will soon be a thing of the past as residents received notice this week from the West Paris Post Office of newly numbered street addresses.

The Post Office decided to go with numbered addresses because of the frequent changes in rural route and box numbers.

Hyam said some confusion has resulted among residents with the new addresses, but for the most part things are going smoothly.

Residents have until May 5 to make address changes complete. Hyam added that he would like to see townspeople display their house numbers for easier identification for emergency vehicles.

In other business, selectmen discussed with local contractor Don Mason the removal of three underground fuel tanks located at the town office. The selectmen will be meeting with Mason later next week to discuss the cost of the project.

Selectmen reported that the war memorial which stood in front of the West Paris Library has been removed and will be replaced with a new one.

Andover sixth grader Sarah Cohen places in state spelling bee

Oxford County's 1990 spelling champion, Sarah Cohen of Andover, placed as second runner-up in the 52nd annual Maine Sunday Telegram Spelling Bee held in Gorham last weekend.

The 11-year-old, sixth-grade Andover Elementary School student said Monday that she misspelled "diuretic" in the twelfth round of the bee, leaving a 13-year-old girl from Waldoboro and a 12-year-old boy from Cape Elizabeth to face off for the championship.

"It was pretty scary," Cohen said. "I was the youngest kid in the spelling bee."

Also, she said, there were lots of people at the bee and she had never before been to the University of Southern Maine, where the bee was held. The worst part, she said, was not really knowing anyone in the bee.

She said it helped, however, being able to see her parents, Michael and Saundry Cohen, in the audience. It also helped knowing some kids from her class, her drama teacher Peggy Madigan and her teacher John Emery were in the audience, she said.



BLUEBERRIES—Dorene Benson and Carol Corriveau will be dancing with their troupe of Tri-Town Rescue members Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14 at the Agnes Gray School gym in West Paris. The Blueberries are only one act in a full slate of acts scheduled for the variety show fundraiser, held annually to benefit Tri-Town Rescue.

Blueberries to dance for defibrillator in W. Paris

What is big, blue, dances down the aisle and is sure to generate a ton of laughs?

Tri-Town Rescue does it again with its third annual variety show Friday and Saturday, April 13 and 14, from 7-9 p.m. at the Agnes Gray School gym in West Paris.

Tri-Town members disguise themselves as native fruit in the opening number both evenings.

These dancing blueberries are just the beginning for a night filled with laughter and entertainment as the ambulance service raises money to go up a level of ambulance care.

The money will help buy a defibrillator and equipment to start IV lines in the field.

Joe Perham of West Paris will tell some of his yarns of Trap Corner fame. Another local comedian, Vern Inman, will be the master of ceremonies both nights.

Friday night's show is different than Saturday's. The band "The Troubadours" will perform Friday night

along with singer Jewel Clark and instrumentalist Terry Martin. Brandon Moore will impersonate several famous people, like Elvis Presley. The finale Friday night is the Tri-Town skit entitled "The Lady who Sprung a Leak."

Saturday's entertainment will start with "The Black Mountain Band." Tri-Town's closing skit will be "The Defibrillator Blues" or "Watch Out for that Talking Defibrillator."

Several local performers are scheduled for both evenings with musical and comical interludes.

Dolls will dance on a board, a juggler will entertain the younger set and a whistler will show what her lips can do.

Tri-Town auxiliary will sell refreshments during intermission.

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ODYSSEY CHAMPS—The Crescent Park School's Odyssey of the Mind team has won the Maine State OM Championship in the category of "Omitronic Humor," and the right to compete in the international competition to be held next month in Ames, Iowa. The OM champs are, from left, Katie Chapman, Karen Wheeler, Caitlin Bass and Missy Gaskey. Kneeling, Julie Ludlum and Martha Grover. Their coaches are Jean Bass and Donna Richards.

Odyssey continues—CPS team headed to Iowa

Six Crescent Park School pupils hope their Odyssey of the Mind will soon take them back on the road... all the way to Ames, Iowa.

On Saturday at Skowhegan High School, the CPS OM team bested the best in Maine, taking the state championship in "Omitronic humor," one of three categories in this year's OM competition.

With the victory comes the right to represent the state at the international OM competition, to be held May 31 through June 2 at Iowa State University.

There, the local youngsters will face competition from Europe and the Far East, as well as from across the United States.

But to get to Iowa, the team will have to raise nearly \$5,000. Nancy Grover, who has coordinated the district's OM effort since its inception three years ago, said since the team's supporters are scrambling to come up with ways to finance the trip.

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Gilbert Mfg. announces successful refinancing

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Gilbert Manufacturing Corp. of Locke Mills, has successfully completed a year-and-a-half long financial restructuring, owner Duane Gilbert announced last week.

Gilbert said the refinancing was accomplished with the help of the Bethel Savings Bank, the Small Business Administration and a number of other financial and development organizations.

Gilbert Manufacturing Corp., like the Bethel Inn, found itself in a financial squeeze in 1988, when its previous banker, Casco Northern Bank N.A., demanded payment of several hundred thousand dollars in loans.

Gilbert said the bank called the loans despite the fact that his company neither missed nor was late with any of its loan payments since its inception in 1985.

He said also that the company had experienced excellent growth during the period and had been operating profitably.

Bank officials have acknowledged tightening their credit policies in Maine, but they claim the move was a prudent business decision in view of the state's deteriorating economic climate.

But Maine business managers, including Gilbert and Bethel Inn owner Dick Rasor, contend the bank was squeezing cash out of Maine companies, including many healthy companies, in order to solve cash flow problems at the

bank's ailing corporate parent, the Bank of Boston.

Late last year, Rasor announced that the Bethel Inn had successfully completed a refinancing package. Earlier this year, he retaliated against his former bank, suing Casco Northern for \$170,000 and charging the bank with breach of contract, breach of good faith and infliction of emotional distress.

Gilbert described his firm's experience with the bank as "an identical situation," to that of the Bethel Inn.

He said the option of a similar lawsuit "is up in the air.... There is that possibility."

Gilbert employs approximately 80 people and should be the largest taxpayer in Greenwood. It has been in arrears, however, on its local taxes for 1987-1989—a situation company officials attributed in part to the financial uncertainty caused by the actions of the bank.

GMC recently completed an agreement with the town, whereby the company promised to pay a portion of its back taxes upon successful refinancing, and to pay the balance in regular installments.

Greenwood Treasurer and Tax Collector Phyllis Coolidge said the company has so far met its commitment, recently paying off its 1987 taxes, as well as one-third of the \$105,271.53 it owed for 1988 and 1989.

Mailing addresses to change in G'wood, W'stock, W. Paris



THE NUMBER'S UP for many of the high-number RFD mailbox listings in Woodstock and West Paris, as the towns prepare to convert to lower-numbered street addresses. But boxes, like this one, in Greenwood will keep their RFD numbers for the time being.

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Residents of West Paris and parts of Greenwood and Woodstock will be receiving their mail at new addresses as of May 5.

The changes are the result of the local Post Offices' need to revise delivery routes, and of state pressure on rural towns to adopt a street-number, rather than RFD-number, system of addresses.

The extent and timing of the changes will vary from town to town, as well as within individual towns.

All West Paris residents will switch to street-number addresses as of May 5, while in Woodstock only those residents in the southern part of town who have been getting their mail from the West Paris Post Office will be immediately affected.

They will not only switch over to street-number addresses, but their town addresses and zip-code will change to Bryant Pond 04219.

Other Woodstock residents will gradually be switched to the street-number system over the next two years, according to Bryant Pond Post Master Frank R. Ehl.

In Greenwood, only residents who have also been receiving their mail from an out-of-town post office, in this case Bryant Pond, will have their addresses changed on May 5. Their town and zip code will change to Locke Mills 04255, but they will keep their RFD numbers for the present.

Selectman Marie Bartlett said, however, that the town expects to switch to a street-number address system in time to meet the state's 1992 deadline.

By encouraging the street-number addressing system, state officials hope to make it easier for emergency services personnel to locate

residences where help is needed.

The new system will have an additional benefit, said West Paris Post Master Joan Young—it will give residents a "permanent address," and eliminate the need for some residents to change their RFD and/or box number every time their local Post Office decides to revise its delivery routes.

"We've got some people who have had to change their addresses three or four times," she said. "But with a permanent street address that will no longer be necessary. The delivery route can change, but the address will remain the same."

The town and zip-code changes in Greenwood and Woodstock are the result of just such an adjustment of delivery routes.

Both the West Paris and Bryant Pond Post Offices had delivery routes which had grown too long. The routes had to be restructured if the mail was to get back to the Post Office in time to get out that day, the postmasters said.

The new routes will be more manageable routes and should result in earlier mail delivery for some customers, they said.

The change will have the additional benefit of giving the residents a mailing address that reflects the town they actually live in.

The postmasters in Bryant Pond, Locke Mills and West Paris, and Administrative Post Master Gayland Down in Bethel all stress that mail with the old address will continue to be delivered for a year following the change, and for longer if the Post Office knows where the person it's addressed to is located.

But the mail will get there faster, they agree, if it has the new address.

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April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Gilbert residence, West Bethel.
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Ruth Gilbert, Secretary

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Opinions

CPS team winners

Three cheers for the Crescent Park School Odyssey of the Mind [OM] team for its Maine Division I win last weekend in Skowhegan.

The team's win entitles the CPS students to enter the OM World Finals at the University of Iowa May 31 through June 2, where the competition will include teams from across the country, and from China, Japan, Great Britain, Canada, Mexico, the Soviet Union. The trip, for the six CPS students and two coaches, is expected to cost \$4,000 to \$5,000.

The question that's being asked now is: How can they go? In this year of belt-tightening budgets, that's a big question.

Would it help to know that in 1986 when SAD #9 had two winning OM teams—14 kids and three coaches—they managed to raise between \$5,000 and \$6,000 to send them to the finals?

Bottle drives and spaghetti suppers helped. And each student's parents kicked in \$150. And SAD #9, which carries a budget line for competitive travel [not just for athletic teams], kicked in about 50 percent of the cost.

The SAD #44 towns of Bethel, Newry, Andover, Greenwood and Woodstock are obviously generous communities. One has to look only as far as the dollars coming into the DARE program for evidence. Or look at the SAD #44 Project Opportunity.

If we are talking about self-esteem, as the DARE program does, or if we are talking about aspirations, as Project Opportunity does, we have to talk about helping these CPS kids go to Iowa.

Sure, it's a small group of kids. Sure, it's a lot of money. But how better to bolster our message to all district kids, especially at such a young and impressionable age?

—ccc

...and talking about winners

Eleven-year old Sarah Cohen, a sixth-grader at Andover Elementary School, also brought home the glory last weekend as second runner-up in the 52nd Annual Maine Sunday Telegram Spelling Bee. Congratulations, Sarah!

Letters to the editor

GIGANTIC SIGN LOOPHOLE

To the Editor:
The decision of the Bethel Planning Board (Citizen, April 4) that the Backstage Restaurant is "grandfathered" from the provisions of the town's site plan review ordinance and can therefore erect a sign the entire length of the ridgepole of its building points to a gigantic loophole in the board's ordinances that should be closed quickly.

It will be impossible to maintain the character for which the town continually receives accolades in the media if every business that pre-dates the site plan review ordinance has the ability to put up whatever sign it chooses.

In addition to spelling the look of the town, isn't this highly discriminatory against new businesses?

The town of Newry is attempting to direct and control growth within its borders through strict ordinances that govern signs for all businesses as well as other issues being discussed in Bethel such as construction in flood zones.

The differences in the views of the two towns toward directing development are obvious to anyone entering the Sunday River Valley and passing glaring lights, fluttering flags, and condos on the river flood plain before reaching the Newry town line.

The time has come when towns must seek common solutions. We can no longer think of ourselves as autonomous units. The actions of each town forever effects the citizens and businesses of its neighbors.

I hope that Bethel will find ways to tighten its ordinances so that they apply equally to all and that the town will move quickly on its growth management plan to determine the direction of growth in the 90's before outside forces determine them instead.

Steve Wight
Newry

TABLOID—TYPE JOURNALISM

To the Editor:
Your high pressure, low priced, take over of the Citizen was abhorrent enough. The inclusion of a paid personal classified ad in your March 21 and 22 issues under a grouping of other, non-personal ads, titled "Miscellaneous," smacks of money-grabbing tabloid-type yellow journalism.

Should you continue your big city policy of accepting these types of paid advertisements please assign them their own classification.

I have two recommendations for such a classification: 1. Solicitation, Human; 2. Pandering, Personal.

Money vs moral integrity. It's a hard choice!

Wayne Lord, Sr.
Bryant Pond

WHERE'S THE FLAG?

To the Editor:
Six weeks ago this past Saturday I was driving by the Bethel common when I noticed that the American flag had been torn loose from the flag pole and was caught in the trees.

I stopped my truck, pulled the flag from the trees and with the help of Maureen Ginther, (spelled correctly, I hope), I folded it in the traditional three-corner method and delivered it to the Town Hall.

I assumed that Town Hall would find the flying of our flag to be important enough to act with a bit more speed and a bit more respect to the memorial it flies over than to let the flagpole stand barren for over six weeks.

My feelings about our flag are well known to the people who know me and have been written about in this column before. I am sure the people for whom the memorial stands would agree with me.

With all the things that our town government has to deal with these days, it is very easy for these things to slip through the cracks and I am sure no disrespect has been intended, but could you please find time to take care of our barren flag pole?

I do not wish to cause any embarrassment to Town Hall, I just love driving by the common and seeing the flag waving.

Harry J. Faulkner, Jr.
Bethel

JACK DANIELS, ADULTS ONLY

To the Editor:
It has recently come to my attention that there is some concern over the liquor participation in the Mud Day event. I would like to clarify any misunderstanding regarding our participation.

We will be running special Tennessee Mud, Jack Daniels events in the restaurants and bars. This will not involve any minors. We are very sensitive to this matter and plan to confine our drink promotion to adult entertainment.

I would like to point out that N.T. Battles and Son Brokers will be involved in the Jazz Fusion Quintet to benefit the Mahosue Land Trust during Earth Day. We feel that it is a very worthwhile cause and we are very happy to sponsor this entertainment for all.

Thomas Battles
Sales Manager
N.T. Battles and Son

COME TO THE SHOW

To the Editor:
Telstar Middle School Drama will be putting on the musical version of "Tom Sawyer." The production date is set for Wednesday, April 11 at 7 p.m. We welcome you all to come and enjoy the results of the hard work of the cast and crew.



BETHEL TOWN OFFICE—is getting a new coat of paint. Greg Tyler, on the ground, and Vernon Davis, rooftop, of Vernon Davis Painting, erected staging last week in preparation for scraping and painting the town office building. (Photo by Christy Cross)

World changes and education

With spring vacation we come to the end of a row, and it's time to straighten up and look around.

The world has changed so much over the winter, and I wonder how all that difference will reflect on Gould Academy.

How ironic it is that at the very moment our system of government and free enterprise is being embraced by governments which have been most opposed to it, we Americans are no longer untested number one in world politics and economics.

Our shaken confidence will no doubt become a major force in determining new directions for school reform over the next decade. For us Americans, history is very short, and setbacks have been personal, regional, or temporary. Progress is more than an expectation for us—it is a right.

Statements such as, "this generation may be the first to be less well educated than its parents," hit home.

But the evidence is plain enough—we're losing ground to foreign buying power. We will struggle to find ways to answer this challenge.

Education will be examined even more closely and stepped-up commitment to the teaching of technology will be part of the answer. President Bush has already thrown that gauntlet by declaring that tomorrow's American youth will regain that number one spot in mathematics and science. We will see that commitment reflected through top-down mandates and an increased business presence in schools.

Unfortunately friction and a deeper division will be the result of competition between those who will implement that mandate and those who feel we have already abandoned our commitment to our Jeffersonian ideals and a kinder, gentler world.

While the necessity to compete in an increasingly competitive global market will drive educational programs and decisions from the top down, schools are feeling other pressure from the bottom up, and that pressure will surely increase. The reasons for this bottom-up pressure have less to do with events in Leipzig or Tokyo than with what is happening in Phoenix or Peoria.

Faced with the need to provide services way beyond what has traditionally been considered their responsibility, teachers in large schools are

finding it increasingly difficult to keep the focus on academic preparation when so much attention must be given to keeping kids from seeking altered states of mind or protecting them from failed relationship in feuding families or dealing with friction among ethnic or racial groups.

It is no longer uncommon for urban schools to open their cafeterias for breakfast, because they cannot assume that their pupils have been fed before the school days starts. Schools are places our society uses to pressure-cook its priorities, and there is no doubt that cries for reform will continue as this trial is heated up and down from above and below.

Getting back to how all this reflects on Gould Academy, we will no doubt feel the pressure to raise our academic goals, but the need to maintain an authentic and humane school climate will not diminish.

It is unreasonable for any school to expect better work from students who are bored, resentful, confused, or passive.

Only those who are secure, fully supported, and believe in their school will put out their best effort. While the notion of community building is not new to Gould Academy—our brochure claims it as a central focus—our challenge is to move beyond present assumptions about what it will mean to be a world citizen in the 21st century.

Recent experiences with Habitat for Humanity, Outward Bound, and the NTL Institute in our Four Point Program convince me that we need to build more opportunity for self-assessment and reflection into our school day. Sometimes academic routine overwhelms us as we make easy and naive predictions about what capable students with willing teachers in generous facilities should accomplish because we overlook the importance of motivation. A goal for Gould Academy over the next few years will be to address the concept of community building not only intuitively but directly and with a clear sense of the interplay between attitude and effort. The outcome ought to be graduates with higher stakes in their own educations, and I know of no better way to prepare for the next century.

—William P. Clough III
Headmaster, Gould Academy

SAD #44 STATE OF AFFAIRS

To the Editor:
As a former resident of Bethel I was amazed by the eighth grade MEA scores and I wondered if there had been a miraculous improvement in the quality of education. Then I read Rebecca Lawrence's letter last week stating 13 percent of the students in the class were excluded from testing for various reasons and it became clear how the scores improved.

I agree with her that it's a sad state of affairs. It's like taking an eight-cylinder car to a mechanic to change the plugs because it isn't running properly and having him only test seven of them.

His report that the plugs were fine would be meaningless without the results of the eighth grade's test, yet the MEA test, of only 87 percent of the students in the eighth grade, is meaningless.

Is it more coincidence that a high MEA score was released shortly before the superintendent asked for another 100,000 increase in testing fees?

I believe the administrators' fear of their pay rates is a factor. I wonder if the county is falling apart economically.

Bethel police report

On Friday, April 6 at 7:30 a.m., Vira P. Micklon, 48 of South Paris was driving a 1985 Oldsmobile north on Route 5 about three miles south of the Mill Hill Road when she lost control of the car on ice, left the road and hit a tree. Micklon, who struck her head in the accident, refused treatment at the scene but later went to the Bethel Health Center to be checked, according to police. The car received extensive damage.

At about 7:40 a.m., a second car went off the road in the same location. Judith D. Webster, 55, of Bethel also slid on ice and stopped about 20 feet from the first vehicle, police reported. Webster was not injured in the accident, nor was her car damaged, police said.

On Thursday, April 5 at 11:50 a.m. police received a complaint that cars making a right turn from Mechanic Street onto Summer Street were cutting through the parking lot of a Mechanic Street business rather than slowing down and making a square turn. The complainant reported there had been some near collisions as a result of the cut-through turning.

At 10:15 a.m. a Greenwood resident reported that he had been threatened over the phone by a person who runs a business in Greenwood.

At 10:10 a.m. a Mechanic Street resident requested extra police patrol around a SAD #44 school bus which is parked at night at a Mechanic Street parking lot.

On Wednesday, April 4 at 4:40 p.m. a West Bethel resident reported that a section of the Flat Road in West Bethel, just north of the four corners, was starting to wash out. Police contacted the town highway department, which erected barricades.

At 3:05 p.m. an East Bethel Road resi-

dent called police for assistance in unlocking his vehicle, which was parked in front of Bethel Savings Bank.

At 8:10 a.m., Gould Academy reported that an American flag had been cut from its flag pole at the Gould athletic field and stolen. The flag, measuring 18'x 27', is valued at \$225.

On Monday, April 2 at 4:15 p.m. a Gorham N.H. resident turned in a pair of wire cutters found in front of Sudbury Inn. The wire cutters were inscribed "SAD #44." Chief Stowell took them to the district bus garage.

On Sunday, April 1 at 9:06 p.m. the police cruiser stalled while it was parked adjacent to the Maine Department of Transportation garage on Route 2. Eventually the patrol officer restarted the cruiser and reported he had no further problems with it during the shift.

At 6:20 p.m. a Bethel resident reported a dump truck on fire at the Bethel wastewater treatment plant. Bethel Fire Department responded to the fire call and put out the fire, which was reported to have been electrical in nature. The dump truck was a 1969 Mack truck registered to M.L. Rogers of Windham.

Extensive damage to the truck's passenger compartment and engine compartment were reported.

At 3:54 a.m. Bethel police were called to assist an Oxford County Sheriff's Deputy in apprehending a driver following a short high speed chase.

At 1:47 a.m. a Bethel patrolman, while doing building checks, reported he observed people drinking after hours at a Bethel bar. At a re-check at 3:24 a.m., the patrolman reported people still drinking at the bar. The matter has been reported to the State Bureau of Liquor Enforcement.

Oxford Sheriff's Office investigates series of local business burglaries

By CHRISTY CROSS

The Oxford County Sheriff's Office is investigating a series of area business burglaries which began in early March. OXSO Capt. James Miclon said this week the burglaries "started with breaks we had in Oxford that were reported March 7. The two businesses, New England Tank and Welding and Home Gas, got broken into and cash was taken."

"The next batch of burglaries were the ones in Bethel," Miclon said. The Bethel burglaries occurred between late Friday night, March 9 and Saturday, March 10.

According to the reports filed at the Bethel Police Department, the Bethel businesses that were burglarized were the Big Apple, Bethel Furniture Stock, Kendall Dowel Mill and Newton & Tebbels, Inc.

"They skipped a weekend," Miclon said, then the weekend of March 24 and 25, Bob's Corner Store and the Red Top II in Locke Mills and the Frozen Logger in Bryant Pond were hit.

Miclon said cash, lottery game tickets, non-resident hunting and fishing licenses and beer were among the items reported stolen in those breaks.

"They know what they're doing," he said. "They know what they want. They're not spending much time in there."

From the Bethel Area

Chamber of Commerce

Welcome to our newest allied member, Smith Town Printers in Berlin, N.H.

A reminder to all chamber members to put Wednesday, April 18 on your calendars and come to the Bethel Inn's Gilded Room for a general membership meeting from 7-9 p.m.

The Tourism Day activities, held on Tuesday, March 27 have been declared a success. There was a tremendous amount of interaction between folks in the industry and the legislative delegation in Augusta.

Steve Wight, Melinda Remington and Wende Gray were among those who participated in the day's activities and Robin Zinchuk, along with Bill Jensen, Burt Mills, and a large contingent from Sunday River went for the dinner.

Governor McKernan and Senator Charles Pray spoke in support of the industry and there was opportunity to talk, in depth, with legislators.

The Bethel Area Chamber would like to encourage all businesses to participate in the Maine Street '90 beautification effort.

Member business, Pooh Corner Farm

when performance is no longer a criterion for pay increases.

I can answer a couple of Rebecca's questions. No, Mr. Bell's job security doesn't depend on these test results. Nobody gets fired from SAD #44 for poor test results as it would look bad and someone's feelings might get hurt. Besides that would be admitting there is a problem in the school rather than the accepted theory that the problem is outside the school in the homes.

How easy it is to blame the homelife of the students for the inability of the teachers to teach them.

In answer to the question: Do other districts spend more money per student? As of last year SAD #44 spent above the state average per student. Makes you wonder if giving them more money will help the kids learn or will just fuel the runaway education machine.

I can't answer the question: Are the teachers better or more experienced? That is a question the administrators should be asking themselves and getting answers to, but they will probably say SAD #44 has the best teachers around and that is not the problem.

So what? Is SAD #44 looking outside the district for help in improving its educational system? Of course they are.

The reason I came from the state to talk about the MEA scores is that there is a problem in SAD #44. Why must we spend hours in teachers' and principals' time, a spent developing new ex-

periments? They're taking what they want and getting out."

Miclon said his investigations indicate the burglaries appear to be related. Also, he said, "We have come up with some physical evidence, fibers and hairs."

Miclon estimates that, including property damage, items stolen and cash stolen, the cost of the burglaries totals about \$30,000.

"It's happening mostly after 10 p.m., in the wee hours of the morning, while our patrol is on," Miclon said.

Also, the most of the burglarized businesses are on Route 28.

"Route 28 is unique," Miclon said. "Like Route 1 or Route 4, it has a lot of businesses on it and the burglars can have a straight shot out of town. They can get out quickly."

Miclon said his department has been working with the business people, discussing ways to help them prevent being hit by the burglars.

"We've gone two weekends now without any breaks," Miclon said. But his department is continuing its investigation. He said he has interviewed a number of people and has been getting more information weekly. Still, he said, he would appreciate calls from anyone with more information.

and Greenhouses on the Bog Road in Gilead, Carol and Richard Duplessis, owners, are offering a special for chamber members only to aid in this beautification effort.

Ten-inch hanging baskets will be on sale for only \$10 while they last.

Chamber member Unicorn Flower Shop Garden Center, Ann Friedlander, would like to offer a 10 percent discount to anyone wanting to beautify their property.

The Chamber's 21st Annual Awards Banquet will be held at the Bethel Inn this year on Thursday evening, May 17. Details on the speaker, menu and tickets will be forthcoming.

Tickets for the Tom Hoffman and Maine Jazz Concert are available at the Chamber Office and from members of the Friends of the Androscoggin and Mahosue Land Trust.

This will be held at Telstar High School auditorium on Saturday, May 21 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. Proceeds will benefit the Mahosue Land Trust.

The Chamber Board of Directors will be meeting on Thursday, April 12 at 7:30 a.m. at the Casco Bank.

permental curriculum? Why not get an existing curriculum from a district that is doing well and spend those hours implementing it?

Certainly finding a district with a better state average and a similar socioeconomic background is possible. After all, Maine is made up of many small towns with a limited number of industries.

I sympathize with Rebecca and any other parents who are faced with Telstar as their only choice for their children's schooling.

I am fortunate enough to have been able to put my son in a different district so he won't have to go to Telstar. Perhaps improvements are being made in Telstar or will be in the near future, but my child is in school now and I couldn't afford to wait for the improvements, if they ever come.

In closing, I would encourage interested, caring people such as Rebecca Lawrence appears to be to run for the school board. Were I still in Bethel I would be running this year. As some of you know, I started to last year.

Carol Murphy
Sweden

Correction

In a letter last week written by Elizabeth Mason/Gardner about the telephone numbers reported and mistakenly substituted the wrong number for the Maine State Police. The correct number is 287-1234.

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The deadline for letters to the editor, birth, obituaries, and listings for the back-page calendar, is Monday at 5 p.m.

As for advertising, the deadline is Monday noon, except for Monday at 3 p.m. for classifieds such as For Sale and Help Wanted, as well as Carls of Thanks.

Bethel Town Office

Within the last couple of months a number of positive things have happened in the town, such as the establishment of a local DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance and Education) program, the authorization by the voters to sign the DEP consent agreement to lift the sewer connection moratorium, the take-over by the state of Cross Street and the successful Career Awareness Day that was held at Telstar High School.

As a result of the concerns expressed by local citizens and the Bethel Police Department about the increasing drug problem in the area, an effort is now underway to raise funds to start a drug education program next fall in the SAD #44 school system.

The persons involved in this undertaking strongly believe that drug awareness education should begin at an early age. To date they have raised about \$5,000 for the program. Their goal is \$8,000. These monies will be used to pay for a DARE police officer to teach drug education to sixth graders for a 17-week period.

On behalf of the board of selectmen and myself I wish to extend our special appreciation to the following persons for their hard work in bringing the DARE program to the SAD #44 area: Janine Buck, Jane Rolfe, Cindy Mills, Walter Hatch, Cathy Parker, Crystal Lake, Cindy Walker and Police Chief, Brian Stowell.

At the March 21 special town meeting the voters authorized the selectmen to sign the DEP consent agreement lifting the sewer connection moratorium and to pay the \$14,000 penalty for the violation of our wastewater discharge license at the sewage plant.

The final agreement and the reduced fine were the result of 19 months of hard negotiations between the town and the DEP.

Assisting us with the negotiations were

Attorney Geoff Hole and sewage plant consultant John Fancie. I would like to thank both Geoff and John for all of their help.

As a comment, we have found that the only way for a small town to deal successfully with a large state bureaucracy is through a team effort.

For a long time the selectmen have been trying to get the Maine Department of Transportation to take over Cross Street. Because of the ski traffic that comes through Bethel, Cross Street is the most heavily traveled local road in town.

It has been the contention of the selectmen that Cross Street is more of a state road than a local road and therefore the state should take it over and maintain and upgrade it.

Happily we have received notification from the state that effective July 1, 1990, Cross Street becomes a state-aid road. This means that Bethel will retain winter maintenance and the state will be responsible for summer maintenance.

As a result we can look forward at some future date for the state to reconstruct the street.

A special appreciation is extended to MDOT Deputy Commissioner Alden Small and State Representative Jeff Mills for working on our behalf on this matter.

On March 14, the SAD #44 Guidance Department and the Bethel Rotary Club sponsored a Career Awareness Day at Telstar High School for 275 Freshmen from four area high schools.

Much of the day's success was due to the hard work put forth by Dan Hart and the school guidance department.

Congratulations to a job well done. In closing, the Solid Waste Study Committee has informed us that since the recycling container was moved from the landfill to an in-town location, more people are participating in the town's recycling program.

Rodney Lynch
Town Manager

Blue Rock Industries suing town of Andover for road paving bill

By BARBARA ADAMS

The Andover Selectmen accepted the resignation of code enforcement officer Neil Conary at their Tuesday night meeting.

The selectmen learned that Blue Rock Industries is suing the town for the money (plus interest) the town held back until the paving job is done to their satisfaction.

Selectman Fred Emerson is contacting town attorney Curtis Webber to affirm the town's position in the matter.

Emerson said, "There is a lot of work to be done; the contract has not been completed. We have bent over backwards to try and work with them (Blue Rock) and every time we do they come up with something else. They don't seem to be as interested in the road as we are. We are not interested in going to court time and time again. We just want our roads repaired."

Selectman William Masselli said, "They were obligated by law to give us a performance bond in the beginning, which they didn't do."

Road construction of South Arm Road a piece at a time was discussed. There is \$38,000 available for road construction, and the matter will be brought up at the next meeting.

Assessor Sandy Hebert met with the board prior to the meeting and updated them on the town re-valuation. The land advisory committee also met to discuss assessment of various parcels of land in the town, and gave Hebert figures to work with.

Androscoggin Valley Council of Government delegates are: primary

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I would very much like to thank the many volunteers, businesses and individuals who helped to make this year's American Cancer Society Daifodil Days in Bethel a huge success.

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Androscoggin River study funded to inventory natural resources

By MICHAEL DANIELS

A natural-resources inventory of the upper Androscoggin River will be conducted this summer by the Friends of the Androscoggin and the Upriver Program of the Atlantic Center for the Environment.

Tom Horn, of the Atlantic Center, said the organization has agreed to sponsor two, possibly three, graduate-student interns, who will study the Androscoggin between the Shelbourn dam and Rumbold.

The inventory will look at the species of wildlife along the river corridor, the natural features of the area and the role of the river in the ecology of western Maine.

The Friends of the Androscoggin hope the inventory will be a first step toward an eventual comprehensive study of the entire Androscoggin-Rangleley Lakes bioregion, Friends' President Steve Wright said.

Kirk Siegel, chairman of the Gould Academy Environmental Awareness Committee, said that the interns will also develop a set of standard procedures, or protocols, for monitoring the river's

water quality. The protocols will be the basis for ongoing water-quality monitoring by Gould students and possibly students from other schools along the river.

Wright said the Friends of the Androscoggin will provide in-kind support for the inventory, including housing, food and guide services for the interns.

The Maine Department of Conservation has also agreed to provide a vehicle for the study, he said.

The inventory report is expected to be completed by the late fall, Horn said. In addition, the Atlantic Center has applied for a \$45,000 grant from the Bingham Foundation, he said, which, if successful, would also allow the organization to provide follow-up support for a further, broader study of the region.

Wright said there has been interest with groups active in other parts of the region, such as the Moosehead Megantic Improvement Association, to discuss development of a broad-based approach to studying the natural assets of the Androscoggin-Rangleley Lakes region.

Cub Scout Pack #566 Arrow of Light awards

On April 26, Cub Scout Pack 566 had the honor of awarding three Webelos Scouts the Arrow of Light award. This is the highest award that can be earned in Cub Scouts.

The recipients of the Arrow of Light are Axel Annis, Jerry Bernier and David Sweetser.

On March 31, Brett Wilson won first place for best design in the district Pinewood Derby held in Wilton.

Andover water district to hold annual meeting

The annual meeting of the Andover Water District will be held at the Town Hall on April 25 at 7 p.m.

This meeting will consist of discussing the financial status of the district, election/re-election of a trustee and other matters pertaining to the district.

There will be a meeting in the Town Hall at 7 p.m. with engineer Al Hodson who will explain what the Andover Water District must do to comply with state and federal regulations set forth in the 1986 Safe Drinking Water Act.

Andover's development of wells rather than a filtration system to replace open water as the source of supply for the district will be discussed.

Various options and costs will also be presented at this time.

Water districts which don't have filtration plants are mandated under the new regulations to undertake costly improvements in order to comply.

Mahoosuc Arts Council plans pioneer play

The Mahoosuc Arts Council will sponsor the powerful one-woman show "As the Wind Rocks the Wagon" on April 12, as an assembly program for sixth, seventh and eighth graders in SAD #44.

The play is based on the diaries and memoirs of 19th century pioneer women crossing the Oregon Trail.

New York stage actress Amy Warner has created a vivid and moving drama of our nation's past.

The play raises several important social and moral questions such as the role of women in society, the exploitation of the Indians by the new settlers. Performances are scheduled from 12:51-1:51 p.m. at Telstar Auditorium; at 7:30 p.m. in Bingham Auditorium at Gould Academy. (This is open to the public, admission is \$2 adults, and \$1 students.); and Friday, April 13 at 8:45 a.m. at Gould Academy in Robin Lee's Women's Studies Class.

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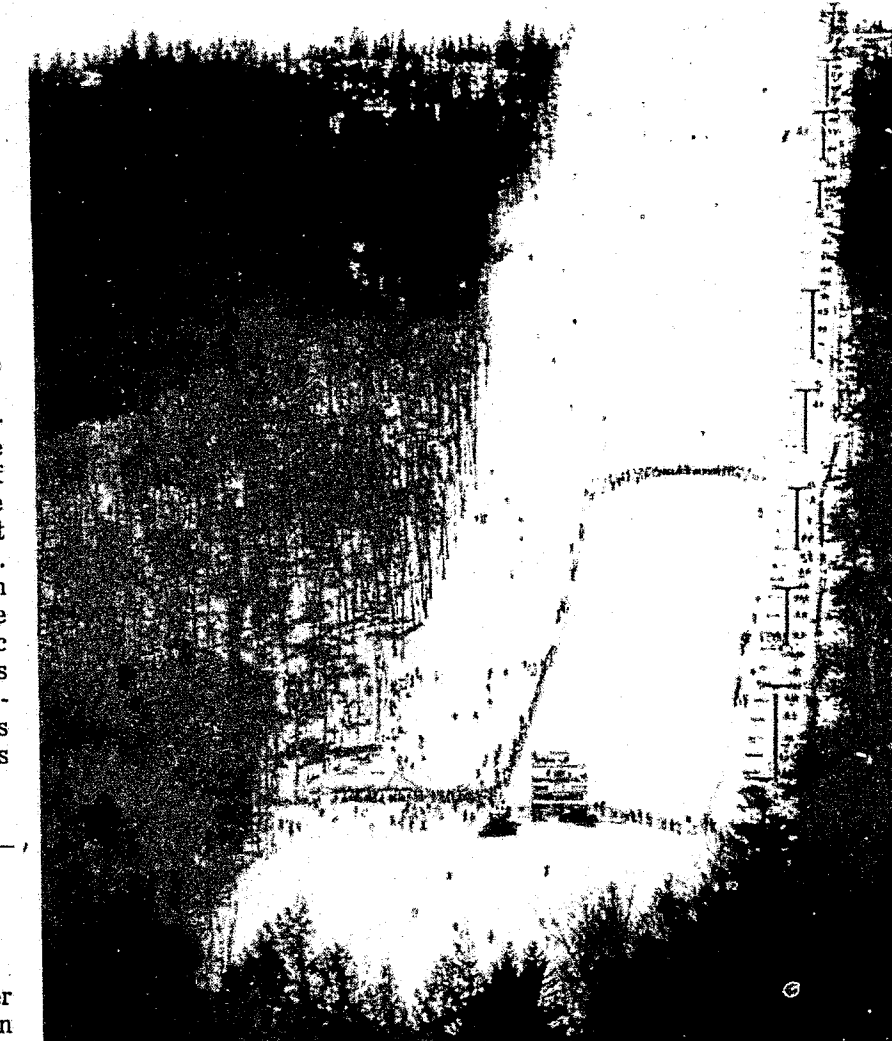
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LEGENDS OF FREESTYLE MET THE MONSTER MOGULS on Sunday River Skiway's White Heat trail last weekend. The "Legends" event brought out many widely known freestyle veterans, and the open "Bust 'N Burn" competition gave amateur mogul bashes a chance to strut their stuff.

Bust 'N Burn/Legends of Freestyle draws thousands to Sunday River

Some of history's best bump skiers competed April 7 and 8 in Sunday River's Bust 'N Burn/Legends of Freestyle Mogul Championship.

Going head to head through the bumps for a crowd of thousands, 15 former World Freestyle Champions skied to please on Sunday River's steepest, widest, longest lift-served expert trail in the east—White Heat.

The competition featured a "Legends of Freestyle" category and a "Bust 'N Burn" category. Fifteen legends, all former world freestyle champions, competed alongside 114 present bump skiers coming from as far as Denver, Colo.

Deno Dudunake of Northampton, Mass., World Cup Mogul Champion from 1977 and 1978, took first place in the Legends category.

Stu O'Brian of Stowbird, Utah, former U.S. World Cup and Pro Mogul Tour Freestyle Champion, took a close second place in the Legends.

Craig Sobina, two-time U.S. Mogul Skiing in 1980-81 from Old Greenwich, Conn. was third, and Scott Brooksbank of Lakeland, Minn., Combined World

Freestyle Champion in 1972, 1975 and 1976, Lakeland, Minn. was fourth.

The top four Legends finishers split \$5,000 in prizes.

Glenn Eddy from Auburn was the top finisher in the Bust 'N Burn competition and Bill Bickford of Locke Mills was second place winner. Bickford works full-time as a member of the snowmaking team at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Greg Francoeur of Freeport was the third place finisher in Bust 'N Burn. Bust 'N Burn finishers split \$9,000 in equipment and clothing.

The mogul championship was sponsored by Audi, Powder Magazine and Sunday River Ski Resort. Equipment was provided by K-2, Marker, Dolomite, Leki Trek and Gates. Other sponsors included VeryFine, Budweiser, USAir and Thrifty Rental Car. Warren Miller film productions was on hand to film for next year's feature ski film.

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WES Principal Murphy finds English colleagues face similar problems

By MICHAEL DANIELS

"It was a real eye opener," Woodstock Elementary School Principal David Murphy said of the week he recently spent in Oxford, England studying English schools.

The trip was co-sponsored by the Harvard Graduate School of Education, Georgia State University and Oxford University. It was intended to provide American and English school principals with a forum for exchanging ideas and experiences.

Two dozen educators from the United States, mostly principals, made the trip. Murphy was one of four from Maine.

The week proved to be no vacation. "We didn't have much time for ourselves," said Murphy, adding that he had to abandon his idea of playing hockey for a day to make a quick visit to Ireland.

Workshops, study groups and meetings took up much of the participants' time, but the best parts of the week were the school visits, he said.

He found that his English colleagues

were dealing with very familiar problems: curriculum, budgets, class size and the difficulty of recruiting qualified teachers, especially in mathematics and science.

"There were far more similarities than I had expected to find," he said. "Those guys are just like me... We have the same frustrations."

He also found, however, that the British principals were forced to deal with shortages of staff and materials more severe than those usually found here.

Class sizes ranged as large as 30 to 35 students in some schools. "It was horrible," Murphy said.

And he was startled to find how few books there were in the English schools. The libraries in the three schools he visited, including one relatively affluent school, "could have fit on a small bookshelf," he said.

The English principals and their staffs were also scrambling to cope with an entirely new national curriculum.

Unlike in the United States, where teachers are normally included in the curriculum-building process, the new English curriculum was imposed from the top down by the national education authorities.

September will see principals change in three district elementary schools

When the SAD #44 elementary schools reopen in the fall for the 1990-91 school year all but one will have a new principal.

At its regular meeting Monday evening the district board of directors approved the transfer of Woodstock Elementary School Principal David Murphy to Crescent Park School. He will replace Principal Nancy Davis, who recently announced her resignation, effective at the end of this school year.

The board also approved the transfer of Andover Elementary School Teaching Principal Karen Robinson to a teaching position at WES. Robinson had requested the transfer in order to be able to return full time to classroom teaching.

The board authorized Superintendent of Schools Dewaine Craig to seek candidates for both of the vacated principalships.

A week in the life

of HILLARY HARRISON

Hello, how's it going? Okay dokey here. Last Tuesday I didn't go to school because I was sick. It was really boring laying on the couch all day. And I was better and went to school the next day.

Also last weekend my dad went to compete in the racquetball state championships. He won the first game really well but he didn't get much sleep that night and lost the next game.

I'd be really happy if I just got to the state's. Also, I screen-printed him a shirt in art that said racquetball. He liked it. My sister is in the drama club and they are performing Tom Sawyer Wednesday,

April 11. I can't wait to go because Heather is Tom. I think that she is a really good actress.

My mom and dad are talking to me about getting more involved in the racquetball club. I'm going to get a lesson on nautilus and racquetball. I might be going to the state's next year with my dad. Also, if they have swimming lessons I want to take a few. I'll be busy, but at least I won't be bored.

Last week I got another letter from my pen pal (Beverly in Nova Scotia). It was really just a 'hi' and she answered all of my questions. Well, ta ta for now.

As for the Andover school, she said, "I don't think you could find a nicer school on the face of the earth."

"On the 30th [a Friday] the trucks pulled up and dropped it off—to go into effect on Monday," he said.

Unsurprisingly, among the teachers and principals who will have to work with the standardized curriculum, "It's not being perceived as one of the greatest things in the history of English education," Murphy said.

The Woodstock principal said that the networking and sharing of ideas between the U.K. and U.S. will go on long after the trip is over. He is already preparing materials to send back to England, and the trip organizers have planned further exchanges.

The English principals will visit Atlanta, Ga. this year, and another group may visit Maine the following year.

The English "were very impressed with the differences within the United States," but tended to identify more with the types of schools found in Maine, rather than those found in big cities, Murphy said.

Organizers also hope to eventually include educators from other countries in the program, and possibly to establish teacher exchanges.

"I'd really like to see us set up exchanges," he said. "I think there's a lot more we can learn from one another."

Rotary Club notes

The Bethel Rotary Club met for the regular club meeting on Tuesday, April 3.

Visiting Rotarians and guests were: Frank Short, David Payne, Bob Meadow, Curtis Cole, Oxford Hills; Nancy Harrison, Greenwood; Dick Bean, Bethel.

David Murphy told briefly about his trip to England and his visit to the Woodstock, England Rotary Club. Also, Steve Wright presented the club with a banner from the Newry, Ireland Rotary Club.

Scott Dennis played a Rotary theme song as his Rotary information.

Dan Hart made an announcement about the Red Cross Blood Drive which was held at Telstar.

Being the first Tuesday of the month, the meeting was the club assembly dealing with club business.

Dave Denison, club secretary, talked a little about the presidential citation award challenge.

Romeo Baker reported on the successful club social held two weeks ago. President Bruce Powell presented Brian Stowell, Bethel Police Chief with a \$500 donation for DARE.

President-elect Scott Dennis reported on a seminar he attended recently. The scholarship program was discussed briefly.

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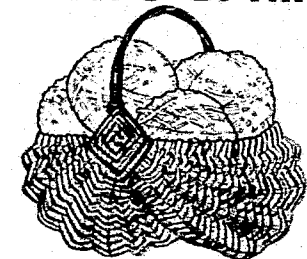
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Salaries

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10 percent increase, to \$44,000. Murphy, who is transferring to Crescent Park School next year, will have a new salary of \$40,616; however, he also serves as the district's Coordinator of Academic Standards, for which he is being paid an additional \$5,000 this year.

He is expected to continue in that role next year, according to Craig.

While there was no public discussion of the increases (the board eliminated open discussion last year, following complaints from some administrators that they were embarrassed to have their salaries discussed publicly), the board was not unanimous in voting to approve the hikes.

Director Ray Harrington of Greenwood voted against every increase; Jane Rolfe of Bethel voted against most; and Bethel directors Jeri Brooks, Cheryl Eliot and Merton Brown voted against a number of them.

Brown said later that he opposed all increases that were greater than the 7.5 percent increase received by the district's teachers.

"They're our front line troops," he said. Rolfe, a loan officer at Bethel Savings Bank, later explained her votes in the context of the local economy.

"Things are very slow right now," she said. "People are being laid off. It's a struggle just for some to make ends meet. Those who have jobs are fortunate."

How could in good conscience vote 'yes' for all the increases requested... The percentage of increase to some of the administrators salaries was ludicrous."

Rolle qualified her objections by saying she felt some of the lower-paid administrators, such as Food Services Supervisor Hilda Brown, deserved even larger increases.

Harrington also pointed to local economic conditions when explaining his votes. Stressing that he was speaking only for himself, he said: "We're in a recession... I think it's our responsibility as a board to keep in line with the community and resources we're dealing with."

Salaries and benefits take up 71 percent of the district budget, he said, but he did not think they received more than token scrutiny when the overall budget was developed.

"We had to do some serious cutting this year," he said, "but that 71 percent of the

SAD #44 Administrative Salaries

NAME	POSITION	LENGTH OF WORKYEAR	SALARY
Dewaine B. Craig	Supt. of schools	12 mo	\$53,400
Bruce Powell	business manager	11 mo	\$33,878
Robin Gundersen	adminis. secretary	11 mo	\$20,500
Cynthia Moxey	clerical/computer asst.	11 mo	\$18,700
Theodore Davis	H.S. principal	11 mo	\$44,000
Carroll Higgins	H.S. Asst. principal/athletic Dir.	10 mo	\$37,593
Bruce Bell	M.S. principal	10 mo	\$38,610
David Murphy	Ele. principal	10 mo	\$40,616
Wendy Ford	Ele. teaching principal	10 mo	\$30,951
Ann Holt	Dir. Spec. Ed.	10 mo	\$34,560
Catherine Newell	Chap. I Coord.	10 mo	\$34,750
Natalie Timberlake	Supv. Bldgs. & Grnds.	120 days	\$14,000
Burnham Rice	Trans. Supv.	12 mo	\$24,000
Richard Blake	Food Serv. Supv.	11 mo	\$21,525
Hilda Brown	Food Serv. Supv.	sch yr	\$15,300
Christine Cole	Dist. Nurse	180 wklys	\$22,290

ple did not get a second look... That's poor management."

In other action Monday evening, the board elected Margaret Hand to serve as chairman for the coming year. Hand defeated fellow Woodstock director Denise Putnam, who was subsequently elected as vice chairman.

Hand replaces outgoing chairman Merton Brown, who had announced earlier that he would not seek reelection. Brown said he did not feel he could adequately represent his constituents while maintaining the neutral posture expected of a chairman. As a regular board member, he said, he would be freer to speak out on issues.

The following extra-curricular appointments and stipends were also approved for the coming year.

At the high school: Robert Remington as head soccer coach (\$1,384), Charles Raymond as assistant soccer coach (\$778), Gail Wight and Sally Hamon as co-head field hockey coaches (\$1,081 each), John Applin as cross-country coach (\$1,124), Carroll Higgins as head

boys basketball coach (\$1,470), Barbara Dunham as head girls basketball coach (\$1,470), Robert Remington as ski program director (\$259) and nordic ski coach (\$1,384), and Thomas Remington as alpine ski coach (\$1,384).

At the middle school: Elaine Hutchins as head field hockey coach (\$1,038), Sheri Dooen as assistant field hockey coach (\$605), Sue Howe as cross-country coach (\$519), Timothy O'Connor as head boys basketball coach (\$1,124) and Timothy Kavanagh as alpine ski coach (\$1,124).

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DAY AT THE BEACH—Vicky, Larry, Tammy, Carrie, Matthew, Johnathan and Andy, from the Woodstock Elementary School Composite Room, recently made a field trip to Popham Beach, where they reinforced their study of science, reading, language and math as they relate to the ocean.

Agnes Gray School

By MARTA CLEMENTS

All classes participated in another RIF giveaway this week, and children have started reading for the RIF Read-a-thon which will be going on all during the month of April.

The kindergarten classes are learning about the letter X. They are making them out of yarn. They are learning about sharing in their CAP lessons. They are studying magnets in science and they are making puppets to use with their new puppet stage.

Mrs. Loper's first graders are learning about the month of April. Mrs. Loper brought in some pussy willows and the students all touched them. They read the book "Pussy Willow" and they put them in water to see what will happen.

They are beginning to talk about different kinds of eggs; bird, turtle, fish, caterpillars etc.

The children are learning about upper body strength and trying to do the seal walk.

The class is reading the "Frog" and "Toad" books by Arnold Lobel and the "Clifford" books by Norman Bridwell.

The second graders are reading Beverly Cleary books this month in honor of her birthday. Ralph and his Motorcycle books are always popular.

Nina McLaughlin, a student at USM, is volunteering this week and she worked with one reading group who read a play to the class.

Also, as a continuation of their study of community services the students are going on a field trip to the bank. They will write a report on it afterwards.

Mr. Burke says congratulations to Nicholas Theofrastou who has reached level four in the math program.

The third grade theme this week is water and Mr. Burke is reading a story called "The Frozen Ice." This is the time of year for water.

Mr. Grigsby, our home/school counselor is working with a group of third and fourth graders and their topic is Dealing with Feelings.

The fourth graders are listening to the gripping story "Stone Fox" by John R. Gardiner.

They are studying the cities of the North Central Region of the United States. A science quiz was scheduled for Thursday.

My fifth graders thoroughly enjoyed the trip to Boston and we were proud of ourselves when we recited "Old Ironsides" on the USS Constitution.

The Omni Theater at the Museum of Science enthralled us all. The movie featured the Great Barrier Reef and we felt as though we were right in the middle of it.

Due to the nasty weather we arrived back much later than scheduled, tired, but intact. My students are now writing about this fabulous day.

Sixth grade is wrapping up their health unit and their study of the circulatory system. Each student can recite the blood's path through the heart—in ten seconds.

Everyone will also have completed a project on a body system, or on an organ. Their activity to end all activities will be to dissect a cow's heart.

In Social Studies they are beginning to learn about the Caribbean. Students are

working in pairs, in a designated area of study, and will teach what they learn to the rest of the class.

The "Waste Away" recycling program begins this week.

A trivia question for this week is: Do you know the tiniest bones in the human body?

News from

Woodstock School

From the Desk of the Principal

Over the past six years, I have come to truly appreciate the people I have been involved with as Principal of the Woodstock School.

We have been able to assemble a staff here that is without comparison. Each and every person who comes in contact with your child is genuinely concerned about his or her welfare and usually goes the extra mile to make school a special place.

We have been very fortunate in having a very active parent organization. The W.P.T.O. gives Woodstock a dimension that is lacking in many other schools. Volunteers also play an active part in our school, much to the benefit of our children.

Community support for WES seems to be very high and that is also a very important factor.

Finally, we are fortunate to have terrific students! They are what it's all about! Over the past six years, I have received dozens of compliments regarding our students. They are very enthusiastic about their school and their school spirit is reflected in the pride they take in the building.

In Social Studies they are beginning to learn about the Caribbean. Students are

ment difficult. I shall be leaving my position as Woodstock Principal at the end of this school year to assume the Principalship of the Crescent Park School. I shall miss everything about Woodstock, but particularly the people I have come to know since 1984. My decision is based solely on my professional need to accept new challenges. I feel confident that I shall leave Woodstock in such condition, that it can easily be viewed as one of the finest schools in our state.

I am certain that I shall have a chance to see many of you in the coming weeks to discuss this further. Thank you for your support over the past six years. Together, we have been able to make a very significant difference in the quality of education your child receives.

CPS students serious about local, global environment problems

Environmental education is an ongoing part of the science and social studies curriculums at Crescent Park School.

At each grade level teachers and students become directly involved in learning about their local, regional, national, and global environments and the human impact upon them.

In third grade, students study forest, ocean, desert, and pond environments. They learn to think of each of them as communities of living things dependent upon all parts for survival.

Students spend time exploring aspects of the forest in the Bethel area such as the balance of nature, food chains, erosion, forest resources, conservation and protection.

They sometimes 'adopt a tree' and track a year in the life of their tree. This grade level also studies endangered animals, hunting, fishing and trapping in our area, jobs in the environment, and recycling of waste.

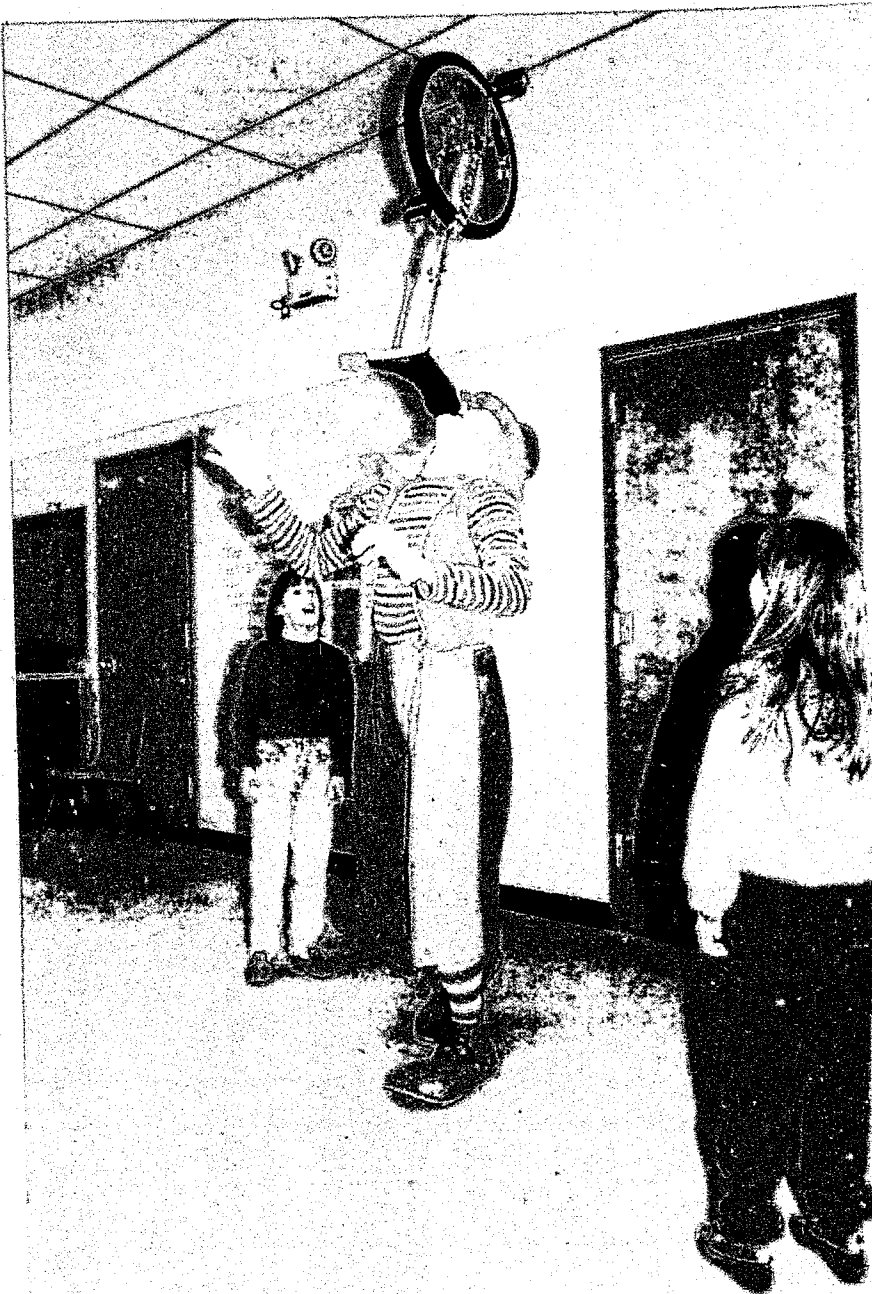
They take field trips to the National Forest, Grafton Notch State Park, local mills, and the Maine Conservation School.

Most significantly, the students in grade three have participated for two years in the Kids for Trees program sponsored by the Oxford County Soil and Conservation Service, in conjunction with Boise Cascade and many local organizations and individuals.

Fourth graders continue their study of environmental issues through their care of the trees in the Kids for Trees program.

They learn to tend their growing trees, test soil for nutrient needs, and observe their trees for disease or pest problems and learn alternates for solving the problems.

They also study environmental issues surrounding water in lakes, streams and the ocean. They visit the Androscoggin River as well as the Atlantic Ocean and explore pollution problems, water quality issues and human attitudes toward using/abusing these environments.



STEADY THE CLOWN—balances precariously atop a unicycle, entertaining SAD #44 students in the Telstar cafeteria last Thursday evening during a meeting on the 1990 Chapter 1 summer program.

This year many fourth graders have had environmental experiences with the Outward Bound staff in Newry.

Fifth grade students participate in a variety of activities, including a yearly Winter Ecology on Skis Day, Project Learning Tree, Agriculture in the Classroom, the EPA poem and poster contest, viewing National Geographic videos, studying endangered species, involvement in soil activities with Jim Chandler of the Oxford County soil and conservation service, and year-long Maine Audubon and natural history units and activities.

In the past two years two CPS teachers have been honored by the Oxford County Soil and Conservation Service as Conservation Teachers of the Year: Linda Wheeler and Shirley Merrill.

At Crescent Park School, students and teachers take the wonders and problems of our environment seriously.

Bethel baseball, softball signups set for April 12

On Thursday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Crescent Park School there will be a sign-up for baseball and softball.

Interest has been expressed for forming a girls' softball team and, if there are enough people, a team can be formed and games played with other towns.

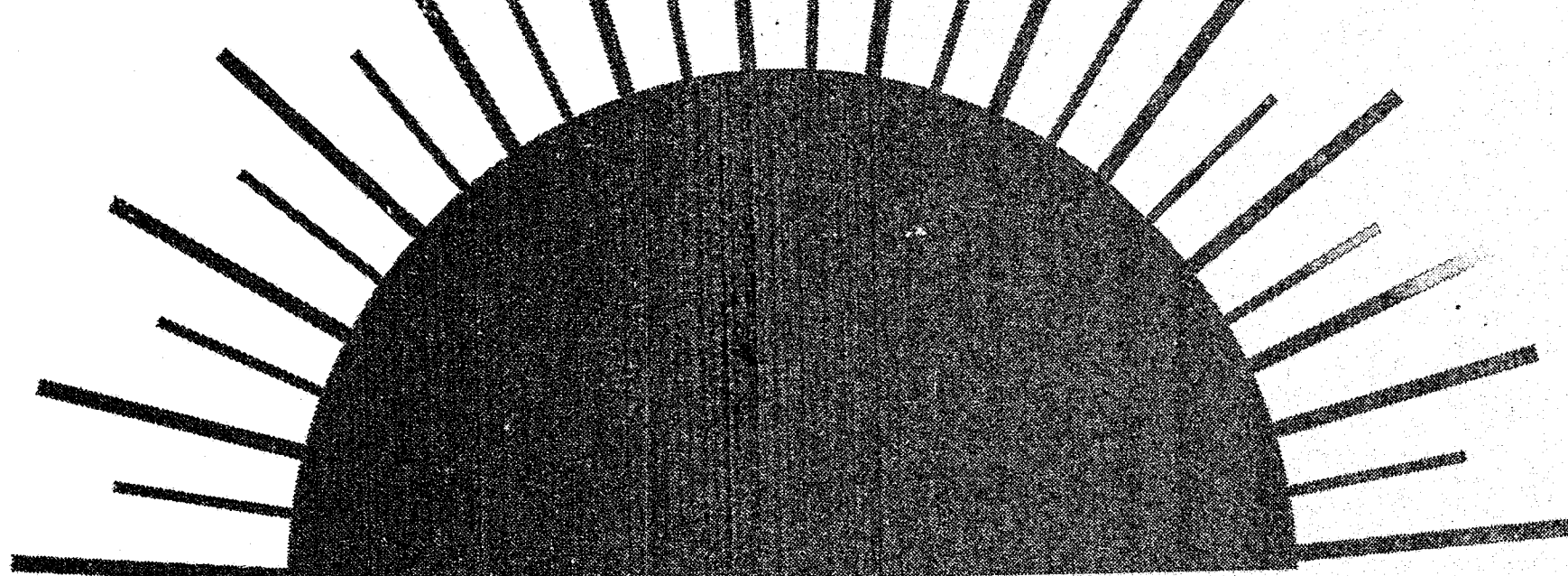
Baseball signups will be, for T-Ballers, age 6-7; Little League, age 8-12 and Babe Ruth, age 13-16.

This year Bethel will have a Babe Ruth team and compete in the Rumford area with other towns.

It is very important that all interested players come to this sign-up. This will help us to get organized easier and faster.

See you on April 12, at 6:30 p.m. at Crescent Park School.

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THURSDAY EVENING APRIL 12, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Movie: "The End"				Hogan	Hogan	M*A*S*H	Elsewhere
(4)	Rendezvous	Monitor	Secrets of Nature	Beyond 2000			Planet Earth	Wildlife	Predators	
(5)	Scarecrow-King		Movie: "The Cross and the Switchblade"				700 Club		Scarecrow-King	
(6)	Cosby	Night Court	Cosby	Diff. World	Cheers	Grand	Cheers	Down H.	News	Tonight
(7)	Cur. Affair	Boss?	Father Dowling	Twin Peaks			Primetime Live		News	Nightline
(8)	MacNeil/Lehrer	Maine	Mystery!				Men of War		Pollution	Brush
(11)	Spenser: For Hire	Moonlighting	Movie: "The Housekeeper"				Spenser: For Hire			
(12)	Music Row Video	Holiday Gourmet	Dove Awards				Crook		Mus. Shop	On Stage
(13)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	48 Hours	Max Monroe: Loose Cannon			News		Pat Sajak	
(14)			NBA Basketball: Miami Heat at Boston Celtics				Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conf.		
(17D)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live			CNN News		Moneyline	Sports
(18E)	Babe Ruth	Jerry Lee Lewis: I Am What I Am	Movie: "Last Rites"						"Dangerous Love"	
(20G)	Major League Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Detroit Tigers						College Baseball: USC at Arizona State			
(21H)	SportsCtr.	LPBA Bowling: Lady Fair	Boxing: Kid Akeem vs. Memo Flores				Baseball	SportsCtr.		
(22)	Jeffersons	Sanford	Movie: "The Greatest Story Ever Told"							
(23J)	MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight		Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders
(24K)	Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis	Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke
(26M)	Miami Vice		Murder, She Wrote	Seniors PGA Golf: PGA Championship						
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	Heroes	Eagle-Bear	Amer. Playwrights		Arts and Glasnost		At the Improv	
(29P)	Desert B.	"House II: The Second Story"	Movie: "The Horror Show"				On Location: Rodney Dangerfield			
(31R)	Gnome	Wilma	Movie: "Pinocchio"				Animals	Flame Trees of Thika	Ozzie	"Les Girls"
(32S)	Cosby	Kate & Allie	It Takes a Thief	Run for Your Life			News		50 Years	Comedy
(34U)	Abbott	Night Court	Movie: "Mass Appeal"				News	USA Ton.	Comedy	Hill Street

FRIDAY EVENING APRIL 13, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Movie				Hogan	Hogan	M*A*S*H	Elsewhere
(4)	Rendezvous	Monitor	Bill Burrud's Animals	American Album			Women	Look East	Hillier: The Whole Story	
(5)	Movie: "The Keys of the Kingdom"						700 Club		Zorro	Bordertown
(6)	Cosby	Major League Baseball: Brewers at Red Sox					To Be Announced		News	Tonight
(7)	Cur. Affair	Boss?	Full House	Family	Strangers	Ten of Us	20/20		News	Nightline
(8)	MacNeil/Lehrer	Wash. Wk.	Wait St.	Fred Waring			Fawcett T.	You Must	"The Scarlet Pimpernel"	
(10)	Spenser: For Hire	Movie: "Obsessive Love"					Molly Dodd	Esquire	Spenser: For Hire	
(12)	Music Row Video	Texas	On Stage	Conway Twitty on the Mississippi			Crook	Texas	On Stage	
(13)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Ringing Bros. Circus	Bagdad	Spice	Dallas			News	Pat Sajak
(14)	Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Wales Conference Division Semifinal Game					Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs		
(17D)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live			CNN News		Moneyline	Sports
(18E)	"Prime Risk" Cont'd	Movie: "Escape From Alcatraz"					Movie: "Scandal"			
(20G)	College Baseball: Miami at Florida State						Ski Mag.	Golf: Tucker Anthony	Bowling	
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Major League Baseball						Major League Baseball		
(22)	Jeffersons	Sanford	NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Detroit Pistons				NWA Wrestling			
(23J)	MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight		Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders
(24K)	Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis	Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke
(26M)	Miami Vice		Murder, She Wrote	Seniors PGA Golf: PGA Championship						
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	Footsteps of Man	Movie: "Interiors"					At the Improv	
(29P)	"The Frisco Kid" Cont'd	Movie: "Major League"					Movie: "Long Gone"			
(31R)	Movie: "The Secret of NIMH"	Rabbit	Movie: "Robin Hood"				Ready Gol		Knights-Round	
(32S)	Cosby	Kate & Allie	Movie				News		Cinema	Comedy
(34U)	Abbott	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh Pirates					News	USA Ton.	Hill Street	

SATURDAY EVENING APRIL 14, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	St. Elsewhere		Movie: "The Four Seasons"						Movie: "California Suite"	
(4)	Natural W.	Natural W.	Challenge	Wings			War Stories		TDC-TV	
(5)	Rin Tin Tin	T and T	Movie: "Zorro: The Legend Begins"				Movie: "Vindicated: A Mother's War"			
(6)	Cheers	Easter	Family-Joe	13 East	Golden G.	Empty Nest	Carol	Down H.	News	Sat. Night
(7)	Star Search		H.E.L.P.				Movie: "B.L. Stryker: Plates"			Byron Allen
(10)	Maine	Know Me	WonderWorks	Cont'd	Doctor Who			Doctor Who		
(11)	"Rage of Angels: The Story Continues"	Cont'd					Moonlighting		Spenser: For Hire	
(12)	With Dinah	Ctry Music	Church St.	Ole Opry	B. Mandrell		Mus. Shop	Texas	Ole Opry	
(13)	Fortune	Win, Lose	Paradise		Tour of Duty				News	Gladfators
(14)	Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conference Division Semifinal Game					Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conf.			
(17D)	Capital	Sports Sat	PrimeneWS	Showbiz	In Japan		CNN News		Capital	Sports
(18E)	Movie: "Twins" Cont'd	Movie: "Dirty Harry"					Movie: "American Justice"			
(20G)	Major League Baseball: Milwaukee Brewers at Boston Red Sox						College Baseball: Texas A&M at Texas			
(21H)	SportsCtr.	SpeedWk	Drag Racing	Saturday Night Thunder			Baseball	SportsCtr.		
(22)	World Championship Wrestling Cont'd						NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Milwaukee Bucks			
(23J)	Sports Newsweek		Sports Newsweek				Final Score			
(24K)	In. Gadget	Looney Tunes		My 3 Sons	Gr. Acres	Dorina R.	Sat. Night	On the TV	Bewitched	Patty Duke
(26M)	Miami Vice		Movie: "Mako: The Jaws of Death"				Hitchhiker	Hitchcock	"The Pom-Pom Girls"	
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	Biography	Movie: "Hammett"					Evening at the Improv	
(29P)	"Chances Are" Cont'd	Movie: "Leviathan"					Boxing: Nunn vs. Starling		One Night	
(31R)	Movie: "Red Riding Hood"	Fables	Movie: "The Watcher in the Woods"				Achievers	2001: A Space Odyssey		
(32S)	Boss?	Kate & Allie	Movie				News	Jack Benny	Comedy	Freddy
(34U)	Abbott	Fortune	Major League Baseball: Cleveland Indians at Chicago White Sox				News	USA Ton.	Hill Street	

SUNDAY EVENING APRIL 15, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Movie: "Jesus Christ Superstar"				Fri. the 13th Series		War of the Worlds		Manager	Christian
(4)	Nature of Things				World of Baby Animals		Blue Revolution		Wings	
(5)	Rin Tin Tin	Young Messiah			In Touch		Ben Haden	Ankerberg	Music	Win. Walk
(6)	Movie: "Mary Poppins"						Brand New Life		News	Sports
(7)	Life Goes On	Videos	Movie: "The Living Daylights"							
(10)	Austin City Limits	Nature			Masterpiece Theatre				Mystery!	
(11)	Milestones	Milestones	Physicians' Jnl		Cardiology	Int'l Med.	OB/Gyn.	Family	Ortho.	Int'l Med.
(12)	American Sports Cavalcade	NHRA	Racing	Bill Dance	Outdoor		Basmastr.	Speed	Truckin'	
(13)	60 Minutes	Murder, She Wrote	Miss Universe Pageant						CrazyFox	
(14)	Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Wales Conf. Div. Semifinal					Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Wales Conf.		
(17D)	Newsweek	Sport Sun.	CNN News		Week in Review		CNN News		Business	Sports
(18E)	"Cocoon: The Return"		Movie: "Magnum Force"				Movie: "Major League"			
(20G)	Boxing: NBA Championship Finals						Champions	College Baseball: Miami at Fla. St.		
(21H)	Baseball Tonight	Major League Baseball: New York Mets at Montreal Expos						SportsCenter		
(22)	Movie: "Mountain Charlie"				National Geographic Explorer			Future	Weight	
(23J)	Sports Newsweek		Sports Newsweek				Final Score			
(24K)	In. Gadget	Looney Tunes		My 3 Sons	Gr. Acres	On the TV	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	Bewitched	Patty Duke
(26M)	Equalizer		Movie: "The Kissing Place"				Crime Story		Miami Vice	
(27N)	Unknown War			All Creatures			Chuck Berry at Roxy		Caroline's Comedy Hour	
(29P)	Movie: "Sing" Cont'd	Movie: "A New Life"					Carly in Concert		"Permanent Record"	
(31R)	Movie: "King of Kings" Cont'd			Astaire Time			Avonlea		Ozzie	Golden Girl
(32S)	Movie: "Fiddler on the Roof" Cont'd						News	Jack Benny	Paid Program	
(34U)	Movie: "Sensations"	Movie: "The Song Parades"					News		Monsters	People

MONDAY EVENING APRIL 16, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Movie: "April Morning"				Hogan	Hogan	M*A*S*H	Elsewhere
(4)	Rendezvous	Monitor	AC Clarke	Terra X	Safari		America Coast to Coast		Challenge	
(5)	Scarecrow-King		Movie: "One on One"				700 Club		Scarecrow-King	
(6)	Cosby	Night Court	Two Dads	Work. Girl	Hunter		Shannon's Deal		News	Tonight
(7)	Cur. Affair	Boss?	MacGyver		China Beach		Capital News		News	Nightline
(8)	MacNeil/Lehrer	Profit the Earth	For Earth's Sake		Show Boat Story		McLaughlin	on 1		
(11)	Spenser: For Hire	Moonlighting	Movie: "Mistress"				Spenser: For Hire			
(12)	Music Row Video	Gospel	On Stage	Nashville Now			Crook	Gospel	On Stage	
(13)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Major Dad	City	Murphy B.	Design. W.	Newhart	His & Hers	News	Pat Sajak
(14)	Boston Marathon		Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conf.				Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conf.			
(17D)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live			CNN News		Moneyline	Sports
(18E)	"Ghoules II" Cont'd	Movie: "The Black Stallion"					Movie: "The Long Riders"			
(20G)	College Baseball: Providence at Boston College						College Baseball: Providence at Boston College		Boxing	
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Motorweek	Basketball	Superbouts			Billiards	Yachting	Sports	Baseball
(22)	Jeffersons	Major League Baseball: Cincinnati Reds at Atlanta Braves					Movie: "Skin Game"			
(23J)	MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight		Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders
(24K)	Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis	Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke
(26M)	Miami Vice		Murder, She Wrote	Prime Time Wrestling						
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	Kingdom of the Sun	Partners in Crime	No Crying He Makes				At the Improv	
(29P)	Things	Babar	History of the NBA	Movie: "See You in the Morning"			Movie: "Chances Are"			
(31R)	Karate Kid II	Avonlea	Movie: "Anna and the King of Siam"						A Time	
(32S)	Cosby	Kate & Allie	It Takes a Thief	Run for Your Life			News		50 Years	Comedy
(34U)	Abbott	Night Court	Bulls Eye	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Indiana Pacers			News		USA Ton.	Hill Street

TUESDAY EVENING APRIL 17, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Major League Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Chicago White Sox				M*A*S*H		Elsewhere	
(4)	Rendezvous	Monitor	Hitler: The Whole Story	Beyond 2000			Nature	H. Butler	Mary B. Eddy	
(5)	Scarecrow-King		Rascals and Robbers				700 Club		Scarecrow-King	
(6)	Cosby	Sports	Major League Baseball: Red Sox at White Sox				Midnight Caller		News	Tonight
(7)	Cur. Affair	Boss?	Boss?	Wonder Y.	Roseanne	Cosch	thirtysomething		News	Nightline
(8)	MacNeil/Lehrer	Nova		Frontline			Miracle Planet		Get Out	Man-World
(11)	Spenser: For Hire	Moonlighting	Movie: "The Letter"				Spenser: For Hire			
(12)	Music Row Video	Church St.	On Stage	Dinah Comes Home Again			Crook	Church St.	On Stage	
(13)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Rescue 911	That's What Friends Are For					News	Pat Sajak
(14)	Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs: Wales Conference Division Semifinal Game					Sports	Stanley Cup Playoffs		
(17D)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live			CNN News		Moneyline	Sports
(18E)	Love/Splendor	Movie: "Clue"					Movie: "All the Marbles"			
(20G)	MuscleSport USA		Pro Beach Volleyball				Doral Open	College Baseball		
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Major League Baseball: Teams to Be Announced					Major League Baseball: Teams TBA			
(22)	Jeffersons	Sanford and Son	Major League Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Houston Astros				There-Crooked			
(23J)	MoneyTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight		Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders
(24K)	Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis	Bewitched	Gr. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 3 Sons	Patty Duke
(26M)	Miami Vice		Murder, She Wrote	Boxing						
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	Biography	Movie: "Day for Night"					Improv	
(29P)	"Paramedics" Cont'd	Movie: "Moving"					Movie: "Major League"		Casual Sex?	
(31R)	Night Train-Katmandu	Fly With Von Drake	Brat Farrar				Movie: "My Brilliant Career"			
(32S)	Cosby	Major League Baseball: Cubs at Mets					Kiner's	News	50 Years	Comedy
(34U)	Abbott	Major League Baseball: Chicago Cubs at New York Mets					News	USA Ton.	Hill Street	

WEDNESDAY EVENING APRIL 18, 1990

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Cheers	M*A*S*H	Movie: "Some Kind of Wonderful"				Hogan	Hogan	M*A*S*H	Elsewhere
(4)	Rendezvous	Monitor	Wildlife	Predators	Wings		Survival	Hollywood	Safari	
(5)	Scarecrow-King		Movie: "The Little Princess"				700 Club		Scarecrow-King	
(6)	Cosby	Night Court	Unsolved Mysteries	Night Court	FM		Spy Magazine		News	Tonight
(7)	Cur. Affair	Boss?	Gro. Pains	Head Cbs.	Doogie H. Marshall		Equal Justice		News	Nightline
(10)	Nineteenth Great TV Auction Cont'd			Nineteenth Great TV Auction						
(11)	Spenser: For Hire	Moonlighting	Movie: "Something in Common"				Spenser: For Hire			
(12)	Music Row Video	With Dinah	On Stage	Nashville Now			Crook	With Dinah	On Stage	
(13)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Normal Life	Sydney	Jake and the Fatman		Wiseguy		News	Pat Sajak
(14)			NBA Basketball: Orlando Magic at Boston Celtics				Stanley Cup Playoffs: Campbell Conf.			
(17D)	Moneyline	Crossfire	PrimeNews	Larry King Live			CNN News	Moneyline	Sports	
(18E)	"Soldier of Fortune"	Movie: "Dead Camel"				Movie: "Man Outside"				
(20)	Doral Open	Red Sox	Major League Baseball: Boston Red Sox at Chicago White Sox						Aussie Football	
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Major League Baseball: Teams to Be Announced					Baseball	Baseball	SportsC	
(22J)	Jeffersons	Sanford	Movie: "The Fastest Gun Alive"			Movie: "Young Billy Young"				
(23)	MovieTalk	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders	Business Tonight		Focus	Entrepr.	Profit	Insiders
(24M)	Dennis	Looney	Dobie Gillis	Bewitched	G. Acres	Donna R.	Sat. Night	Laugh-In	My 9 Sons	Patty Duke
(26K)	Miami Vice		Murder, She Wrote				Movie: "High Desert Kill"		Miami Vice	
(27N)	Wilderness	Survival	War	Crusade	Spaceflight		Living Dangerously		At the Improv	
(29P)	"One Crazy Summer"	Movie: "A New Life"				One Night		Movie: "The Border Show"		
(31R)	Secret	Danger B.	Movie: "Robin Hood"			Movie: "That's Dancin'!"				Ozzy
(32S)	Cosby	Kate & Allie	It Takes a Thief		Run for Your Life		News	50 Years		
(34U)	Abbott	Night Court	Movie: "Pow: The Escape"				News	USA Ton.	Comedy	That's G

Community Calendar

Wednesday, April 11: A musical, "Tom Sawyer", presented by Telstar Middle School, Telstar Auditorium, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 12: Amy Warner, "As the Wind Rocks the Wagon", Bingham Auditorium, Gould Academy, 7:30 p.m.
Baseball and softball sign-up for Bethel youth ages 6-15, Crescent Park School, 6:30 p.m.
Bethel Masonic Lodge, 6:30 p.m. supper; 7:30 meeting.
Friday, April 13: Dealing with Loneliness class, Multipurpose Center, Birch Street, Lewiston, 1-5 p.m. Registration, 735-2805.

Bethel Senior Citizens' Food Sale, Bethel IGA, 9 a.m.-12:30.
Alder River Grange important meeting at the hall, East Bethel, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 14: Easter Egg Hunt, Mills Market, Andover, 9 a.m., pre-school through Grade 6.
Monday, April 16: Jefferson Lodge, Bryant Pond, meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Beginning of Earth Day activities at Gould Academy, including assemblies on environmental topics and community litter pick-up, through April 22.
Tuesday, April 17: After 5 Club, Goldstreet Restaurant, South Paris, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Andover Library Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1:00-4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.
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p.m.; Wednesday, 1-5 p.m., 6-8 p.m.; Thursday, 1-5 p.m., pre-school story hour, 10-11 a.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Betsy Raymond, Librarian.
Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday and Friday, 1-5 p.m.
Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: hours: Tuesday-Friday, 10-4; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9. Telephone: 743-2890.
West Paris Library, West Paris: hours: Monday, 3-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.
REACH - Sexual Abuse Helpline, 743-9777. Serving victims of sexual abuse—past or present. 24 hour service in Oxford County.
AA Meetings at Bethel Fire Station: Sunday-6:30 p.m., Big Book: Tuesday-7-8:30 p.m., Women's Discussion: Friday-7:30-9 p.m., Step 12 x 12.

First Wednesday of Each Month: Purity Chapter #102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.
Sons of American Legion, 7:30 p.m., Jackson-Silver Post #68, American Legion, Locke Mills.
Every Thursday: Game Party at Mundt-Allen Post #61, Vernon Street, Bethel, 6:30 p.m.
First Thursday of Each Month: Upton Board of Selectmen meets, 6 p.m.
Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.
Second Thursday of Each Month: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at the Casco Bank, 7:30 a.m.
SHARE support group for bereaved parents suffering loss of an infant or miscarriage, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, 7-9 p.m.
Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

Third Thursday of Each Month: Fish & Game, at the Bethel United Methodist Church; potluck supper 6 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m.
Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club, at Newry municipal building, 7:30 p.m., meeting.
Every Friday: Friday Gift Shop, at the Bethel United Methodist Church, during summer, 1-5 p.m.
Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post #68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6:30 p.m.
Third Friday of Each Month: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.
Second Saturday of Each Month: Woodstock Historical Society, 7 p.m., Woodstock Historical Society Museum.
First Monday of Each Month: Newry Community Church Ladies' Circle, 7:30 p.m.
Second Monday of Each Month: Newry Mothers' Club meets at Swan

Club Room, 7:30 p.m.
Second Tuesday of Each Month: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Bethel Snow Twisters, meet at Casco Bank, 7 p.m.
La Leche League meets at area members' homes. Call 336-3587 for information.
Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.
Cross Country Quilters meets at the Bethel Library, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
First and Third Tuesday of Each Month: Bethel Lions Club meets at the Bethel Lions Den, Main St. Social hour—6:30-7 p.m.; Dinner at 7 p.m. and meeting follows.
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JACKSON-SILVER POST 68—at Locke Mills recently celebrated the 71st birthday of the American Legion with a dinner. The Locke Mills post, which was organized in 1919, has over 125 members. Left to right at the head table are Rodney Hanscom, chaplain (back to the camera); Morris Canwell, county council commander; Thomas Warner, 2nd district commander; Alanson Cummings, charter member of the post and the only World War I and II veteran member; Frank York, post commander; Noreen Russo, unit president; Fannie Cummings, chaplain; Carolyn Brooks, education chairman; and Ann Kezal, 2nd district secretary and treasurer.

JACKSON-SILVER AUXILIARY

Before our regular meeting on April 5, the Post and Unit met jointly to listen to a talk on the DARE program.

Bethel Police Chief, Brian Stowell was introduced by auxiliary president, Noreen Russo. Stowell gave background information on the program which was introduced in 1983. The acronym "DARE" stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education.

While a member of the Rumford Police Department, Stowell said he observed the positive effect in that community when DARE had been implemented there.

The program is designed for use with fifth and sixth grade children. Stowell said. It is a 17-week course, in which a uniformed police officer (minus weapons) spends a day per week with the children.

A class period is conducted each week dealing with such topics as: The effects and consequences of substance abuse; how to resist pressures to experiment with drugs; dealing with stressors in students' lives; assertiveness training; self-respect and self-worth.

These are some of the subjects dealt with, designed to help a child to "say no," Stowell said.

The remainder of the day the officer spends with the class in their other activities. This enables the kids to see the police officers as caring, helping individuals with whom they can have a good, positive, friendly relationship, according to Stowell.

At the close of Stowell's talk the auxiliary presented him with a check for \$100 toward the funding of this project for the SAD #44 schools, with a hint of more to come, especially if some follow-up and

reinforcement plans are developed for these children in their future years.

In the regular meeting, plans were finalized for the Girls' State Tea which we are hosting for the first time this year on April 22.

Our delegates this year are: Jennifer Gould, daughter of George Gould and Tibby York of Bethel and Meri Howe, daughter of C. Stephen and Joyce Howe of Bryant Pond. Their alternates are: Becky Hunt, daughter of Sandra Powell of Locke Mills and Jennifer Felt, daughter of Roy and Sharon Silver of Bryant Pond.

These girls and their parents are invited to attend the tea along with the parents and the delegates sponsored by other auxiliary units in Oxford County, past delegates and Girls State Counselors from Oxford County.

Other business included the donation of \$50 to Special Olympics. Our next meeting is on April 19, when our guests will be Girl Scout Troop 805 of Bryant Pond.

They will tell us about their camp-in at the Boston Museum of Science this past February.

We have already received a thank you card from them which they made and which all signed.

Auxiliary members are urged to keep these two dates in mind. April 19 is when the Girl Scouts will be with us. Refreshments of cookies and hot chocolate will be served. April 22 is the date for the Girls' State Tea from 2-4 p.m.

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The morning mist is soft, a shifting screen between the world of make-believe and day. But peace and contentment find their way into my heart. There is color and movement from the waking ground. But sometimes in a conversation, remarks turn to Maine's weather. Often there is an assertion that Maine's weather is despicable. There are times when we would like it different but in the long run what is the matter with Maine's weather?

In my long life I have never been picked up by a tornado and deposited a long walk from home. In some states that occurrence has taken place. I'm in no danger of being caught in a flood and deposited far out into the ocean, although there are some who might think that would be a good thing, maybe a public improvement. As the kids might say, I feel I won't be "all shook up" by a devastating earthquake. If a long drought occurs I won't be deprived of

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water. Few of the other states can make these statements. That being so, Maine's weather can't be half as bad as detractors would like us to believe.

The U.S. Weather Bureau tells us that Maine has a healthful climate, equal to any in the world, so all complainers "put that in your pipe and smoke it."

Usually spring comes slowly but it's indescribably lovely. A restless harp plays endless melodies across pine boughs and crystal sunlight cuts the primed ice, as it was here, whispering softly, our promise of spring.

Summer? It's ideal, just like Little Bear's porridge; not too hot, not too cold, but just right. Autumn? How could it be more lovely? It has breath-taking beauty! So that leaves only winter, which is bidding us farewell. I presume you won't believe me if I say we have the best winters of the northern states, protected by the mountains to the west and the ocean on the east. Cold? Yes! But I can add another sweater. No limit to adding clothing, but there is when one is hot and wishes to shed it. I can still count 10 fingers and 10 toes, none lost by frost bite.

So from now until November our Maine weather can't be beaten and I feel sorry for those who can't share it with us. The hills will stand tall against the sky, while green-capped valleys fall in a serried line.

Many times we'll be greeted with, "good morning to you, nice day isn't it?" I always liked this little verse about weather: New England Weather. Sunday—and it's raining cats and dogs. Monday—and we grope through thickening fogs. Tuesday—the sun shines... a beautiful day. Wednesday—and clouds of threatening gray. Thursday—it's cold and how the winds blow. Friday—we wallow around in new snow. Saturday—we get them all mixed together. It's just a week of New England Weather.

On Saturday, March 31, the Pulsifer home was attractively decorated with wedding bells to welcome many friends and relatives who attended a 55th anniversary party honoring Mr. and Mrs.

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Max and Marian worked at Hebron Academy for 15 years, retiring in 1977. He was superintendent of the grounds and buildings. She prepared and cooked the food.

They received many cards, gifts and a lovely cake. Congratulations, neighbors! Here is wishing you just everything you're looking forward to—time for relaxation and the things you want to do. Here's wishing you good luck and good health, contentment day by day. In short, just every happiness that life can bring your way.

On Sunday David and Ann Holt were home and there were other visitors at the Holt farm.

Vicky Campbell and a friend from South Paris came to see me on Monday. On Wednesday I had a nice visit from Katherine Hakala. She told me about her most interesting trip with her sister to Florida recently.

The ice from the pond has all moved out in front of my house, April 5, and eight geese came in for a swim. Visitors at the home of Rena Curtis were her daughter Lillian Strait and family, Freeport; her son Ray and wife, Norway; her grandson Albert Curtis and family, Buckfield; her granddaughter, Bonny Curtis and Spencer, South Paris; Don and Carla Whittemore, Oxford.

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Fern and Ivan Conrad, Nova Scotia, former residents of Andover, called on Gertrude Hutchins on Thursday.

Mary Thurston took Elizabeth Sennett out to dinner Thursday.

Louise Powell Hale, visited her mother Alma Howey.

Calvary Congregational Church

Rev. Donald Grover's message last week was "Hidden Things for Hidden Ones," I Kings 18:13. The choir sang, "Only Believe, and Live," and "Face to Face."

On April 15 a sunrise service will be held at 6 a.m. followed by breakfast.

OXFORD COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE TO MEET APRIL 10

The public is invited to attend the April monthly meeting of the County Republican Committee to learn more about the local and state elections this year. April's meeting will be at the South Paris Fire Hall on Tuesday, April 10.

A social hour will begin at 6 p.m. with a potluck supper at 7 p.m. There will be speakers after dinner.

With the primary election just two months away, people are urged to attend the meeting to learn more about the candidates who are running for office and about the issues that face Oxford County.

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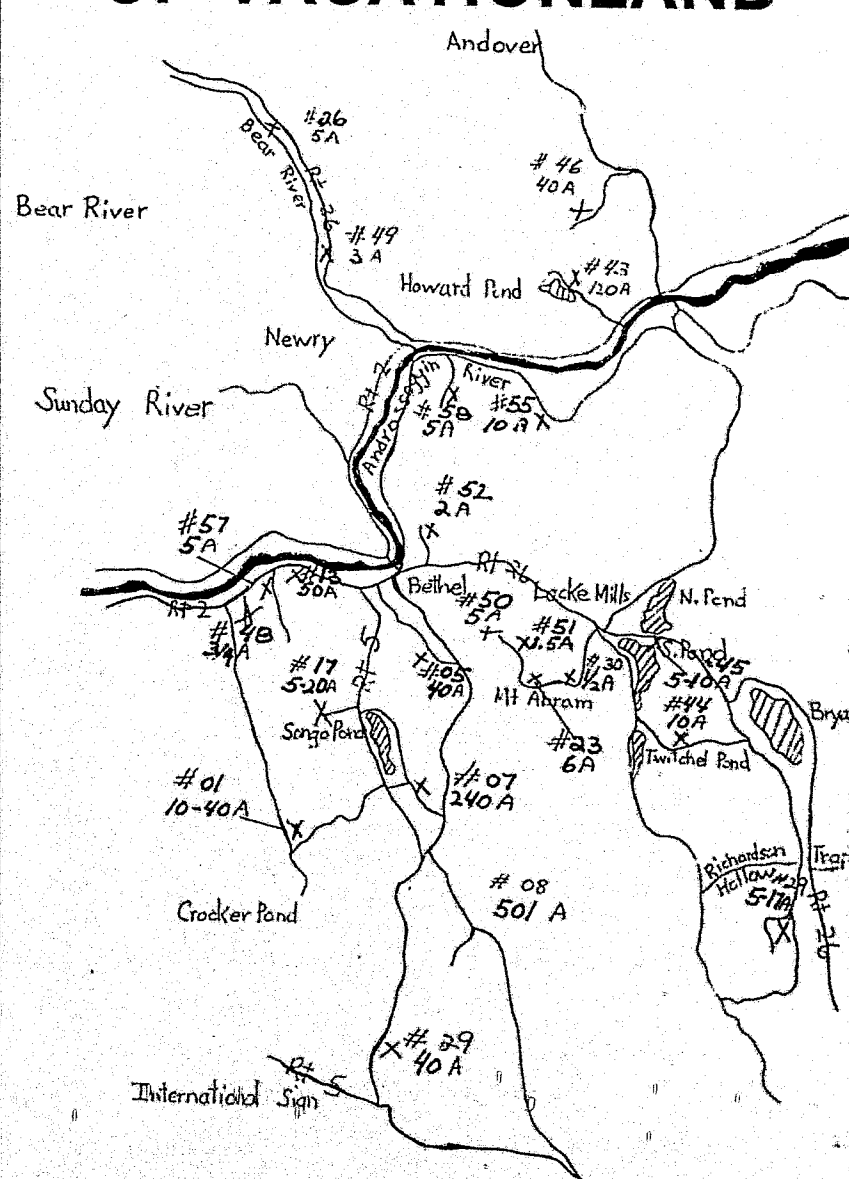
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By CONSTANCE BROADBENT

Dear Ginna,
When we leave our mountains behind for a trip to the old home town, to attend the retirement of yet another firefighter, we are never prepared for the coincidences that we encounter. You can imagine how surprised I was to learn that one of Donald's friends had relocated, upon his own retirement, to your newly adopted home town on Nantucket Island. As I was re-introduced to Rob Reader, I asked him where he had settled, since leaving Weston. His answer, "Nantucket," prompted me to mention the only people whom I know to be alive and well and living there, the Bretschneiders of old New York. And his response was the real surprise... "Oh, sure, I know them, one is a politician (your brother Richard), and one of them (you) works with my daughter. As a matter of fact, my daughter will be attending a birthday party for Ginna tomorrow night." So that's why I sent you the hastily scribbled birthday message on the back of the business card, my only available writing material. What better way to reestablish contact with a long lost cousin and her family?
It's been years since that festive family reunion at our house. And it seems like a lifetime since Donald and I opted for the rural life. We've settled in West Bethel, a village within the town of Bethel. You probably know the area as one where skiers spend their time and money; we know it as a place in which we find quiet diversity, friendly interaction, endless endeavor, and lots of cranberries for contemplation. The people fill a mixed bag of ages, interest, hobbies, outlooks, enterprises, and experience. Many of them have invited us in and shared their wealth of tea and tales.
In the few years since our forced retirement, we've built a hilltop house overlooking a glorious mountain range, created gardens enough to keep a crew busy... and guess who answers to "crew"... gotten involved just enough to create calendar chaos. Donald serves as Estate Maintenance, while I function as Estate Planner... loosely translated, that means, I think up the new projects and he executes them. That's fair... And so that we don't get the least bit bored, we've taken on a few new assignments. While I'm up to my teeth in tutoring, he's up to his chin in sewer talk. The downtown treatment plant is in dire need of upgrading, so "this nibs" has joined a committee to find a way out (no pun intended) of the nitrogenous nightmare.
How can we be happy here with the flora and the fauna, the forests and the fields, you ask? It's easy. The people are friendly as they teach us to slow our pace, savor the sunsets, contemplate our cornucopia. When we gather in the little church or the big old grange hall, or the historical society museum downtown, we exchange reflections as well as recipes. And although we're removed from the metropolis, we're connected. People go to work, they travel, recuperate, visit, entertain and receive recognition.
Just last week, two young neighbors were inducted into the National Honor

Society. Rebecca Hanscom and Esther Finch, an exchange student from Scotland, (and Becky's next door neighbor, courtesy of the Lewises) received their pins, symbols of their "character, scholarship, leadership, and service," as their families and friends beamed with pride. I can still remember the "goose bumps" on the day that I was chosen for the same honor. It was back in the Bronze Age, I think... "We are proud to know thee, ladies."

The hoopla faded just in time for Esther to welcome a friend from home (Scotland, that is). Bryan McAttear is on holiday from his studies and is spending time getting to know our part of the world. He's "bunking in" with the Hostermans across the street. They had an empty bed; the Lewises didn't. And after a few days of keeping up with Esther, sitting in on classes, running the track, catching early buses, Bryan may be redefining "bunking in the slow lane," for sure. He will return soon to Glasgow to resume his study of Psychiatric Nursing.

Meanwhile, out in Mason town, (technically, Mason is an unorganized town... that doesn't mean that the people are sloppy... just that they found themselves without sufficient numbers to support a government, so they turned in their charter) well, any-way, out in Mason, Grace Morrill was cooking up goodies for her most recent guests, Gary Russell and his daughter Jill, of Middleboro, Mass. After their weekend stay, Grace had just enough time to shove the magazines under the couch before the arrival of Doris and Richard Brown. The three spent a delightful evening in retrospection and reminiscence. Doris and Richard, you may or may not recall, are the once and famous Chicken Czar and Czarina of Robinson Hill. But that's another story... I'll save it for the next reunion.

We did some Welcome Home-ing this past week. Richard and Mabel Walker are back in their nest after spending the winter with their daughter in California. And despite the fact that the automotive application of Murphy's Law was in effect for the duration, they managed to arrive home in time to enjoy what most of us are hoping will be the last snowfall before planting season.
We also welcomed our friend and dahlia dilettante, Dewey Thayer, home from the hospital after a hernia herniating. And not a moment too soon. For Vern, his resident Estate Planner and wife of practically half a century, will soon be sending him out to bury the beautiful bulbs. "Call if you need help, George." So, dear Ginna, that was the week as it was in West Bethel. Hope I was able to give you an idea of the idyll into whose lap we have landed. If we can break

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank Dr. Ware and all the nurses for the excellent care I received while at Stephens Memorial Hospital. Also all my children, relatives, neighbors and friends for flowers, visits, telephone calls and other acts of kindness shown my family while I was in the hospital and after I returned home.
May God bless you all.
Alice Roberts

away this summer, we'd love to visit your island. And if you feel like lolling poolside instead of seaside, come on up. If "there's no room in the inn," you can bunk with the Browns; Norris will be delighted.
Hugs to all the family... We need to keep in touch... Jack and Moll would be pleased.
Love, C.B.

West Paris

By MIRIAM INMAN

Ivan Proctor, Jr. won two silver medals for snowshoeing events at Sugarloaf Special Winter Olympics. An awards ceremony was held last week at the Progress Center. The original ceremony had to be cancelled, along with other events on the last day of Sugarloaf due to the big snowstorm last February. Bob and Kathy Bessette, Emily, Marc and Timothy of Fairfax, Vt., spent the weekend with her parents, Vance and Connie Bacon. They surely surprised Vance by being at Country Way when he arrived there for supper to celebrate his birthday. The second surprise was when he walked into his son Ken's home to find relatives and friends gathered for a birthday party in his honor. It's great to be 60, isn't it? Those present were: Tony and Doris Albert of Lewiston, Veronica Malia of Auburn, Christy Bartlett, Milton and Miriam Inman, John Betts, Vernon and Eleanor Inman, Vernie and Walter, Bob and Kathy Bessette, Emily, Marc and Timothy, Connie (The other better half) of course and host Ken.
We were pleasantly surprised to have daughter Vicky Sanborn with Brant, walk in for a visit on Sunday.
The Fireman's Auxiliary met Monday evening, with all six members present. We are making plans to have a public supper on Saturday, May 5, at the West Paris Grange Hall from 5:30-8:30 p.m., prior to Richard Felt and Company's dance. HELP! The six of us can't do it alone. Anyone that can help us may call Connie Bacon at 674-2870 or Miriam Inman at 674-2295. The proceeds are used to give aid and assistance to the unfortunate fire victims in our town. Posters will be done by Eleanor Inman and Connie Bacon and Miriam Inman will be planning the supper. Eleanor and Kim Inman volunteered to do soliciting. We will need help from others, so we hope you will offer your services and when and if you are asked to furnish a casserole, salad or pie, we hope you will be willing. We never know when tragedy might strike us.

Mary Bessey of Livermore, spent several days this week with her sister Ann and Ivan Proctor. Mary has just returned from Florida where she spent the winter.

Bill Berry went last Thursday to Rochester, N.Y., to join his wife Sally, Daniel and Ryan, so as to attend Sally's brother's wedding on the weekend. They all returned home on Tuesday. Sally and boys have been at her folks, Larry and Nancy Nancy, from Germany was home, also. They had a great visit.

West Paris Historical Society will meet on Monday, April 16, with a 6 p.m. potluck supper preceding the meeting. Super committee is Howard and Ida Gurney.
Granite Chapter #15, O.E.S. will meet on Thursday, April 12, for installation. There will be refreshments following.
Louvie Coffin's visitors on Wednesday were her daughter Eleanor Hutchinson and her son Douglas of Appleton and Martin and Jackie Bickford of Newport, R.I.

Newry

By GIL SEELEY

Nine inches of snow fell in Newry Friday night, March 31; 10 inches in some other places.
Church services were held again at Owen and Sue Wight's home last Sunday, April 1. On account of the bad weather the church was not opened. Pastor Rodney Hanscom read the scriptures: Ezekiel 37:1-14, Romans 8:8-11, and St. John 11:1-16. With the message "From Death to Life Spiritual Awakening." We hope the weather will be fine for next Sunday's services at 9 a.m. at the church, all are welcome. There will be a Good Friday service April 13 at 7 p.m. All area clergy are invited to attend and participate in it. All people are welcome.
Mr. and Mrs. Hus Knodes of Stark, Me. stopped in at Gil's place for a short visit Sunday afternoon, April 1. They were coming back from a trip around the mountains.
I am glad to see the police report, etc. in the Citizen every week. It's about time we find out what the crooks are up to and what else is happening around the neighborhood. It keeps us more on the alert, thanks to Chief Brian Stowell.
Read this and live. If everyone who drives a car would tie a month in bed, with broken bones and stitched up wounds, or fractures of the head, and there endure the agonies that many peo-

ple do, they'd never preach safety any more to me or you. If everyone could stand beside the bed of some close friend and hear the doctor say, "No hope," before the end, and see him there unconscious, never knowing what took place, the law and rules of traffic I'm sure we'd all embrace. If everyone could meet the wife and children left behind, and step into the darkened home where the vacant chair where daddy used to sit, I'm sure some reckless drivers would be forced to think a bit. If everyone who takes the wheel would say a little prayer. And keep in mind those in the car depending on his care, and make a vow and pledge himself to never take a chance, a great crusade for safety would suddenly advance.

The ladies of Newry who went bowling at the Oxford Lanes last week were: Karlene Bachelder, Betsy Clark, Gil Seeley, Bea Lowell, Eleanor Davis and Olive Anderson. Rena Powers was a guest. Betsy was high on the triples leading Karlene by one pin. She was also high on the singles with one string of 110. All went to lunch and did some shopping.
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom had a nice visit with Amy and Roger at the Croy Inn Nursing Home last Saturday, March 31, and found them in good spirits. We also wish them good health and we miss them.

We were lucky here on this side of Bear River, we did not have flooding. Usually at this time of the year, we see the fields under water. The river overflows from the extra water that comes down from Old Speck Mountain but I'll bet Screw Auger Falls is a sight to see.

A reminder from the Ladies Aid Society of Andover Congregational Church, an invitation to the lunch and program, for April 18 at 10 a.m. Please contact Sylvia Wight by April 12. All the ladies of Newry are welcome.

Andover

By HELEN SALWAY

The Andover Wood Products held a meeting last week to present awards to employees of the mill. Don Stecher gave awards for five years of service to Donald Grover, Dan Thibodeau, Dora Morton, Calvin Baker, Ray Wentzell, Norman Boone. The 15 year awards went to Pat Gill, Delmer Parker, Hank Morton. The 20 year ones went to Allen Bodwell, David Bodwell and Nonie Conrad. Agnes Porter retired after many years with a rocking chair made by

Ethan Allen. These times were served up to the year ending 1988.

The Andover Youth Group recently attended a supper at the "Green Church" of Mexico with other youth groups from Norway, South Paris, Peru, and Mexico. Tickets are still available for the basket of goodies to be drawn April 14.

Happy Easter to all on Sunday. The sixth grade will be holding a fundraiser, awarding two dolls, Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy. They are 24 inches tall, homemade by Mary Learned. They will be presented to the lucky winner some time in May.

North Paris

By DORIS C. LAWRENCE

Saturday, March 31, left us with eight inches of snow.
Sunday, April 1, a good way to start the month, Richard Felt and Lucy Robbins went with me to the Maine Country Music Pioneer Show at Croy High School auditorium at Augusta. Nephew Frank Coffin plays in the Denny Breas Band.

I hear Herman Cole, Pinhook City, is still receiving birthday cards. The blind boy, Jason Sicotte is Clyde Knight's grandson and that makes him great-great-nephew of Herman Cole. He sure did a great job on Elden Hathaway's drums.

Tuesday, April 30, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vatcher took her son, Danny McCuish, to Massachusetts to take a plane to Nova Scotia. Joe said it was awful rainy and foggy.

Callers have been Lennie Dillingham, Stanley Heath, Sandra Coffin, Joe Vatcher, and Howard Anderson.

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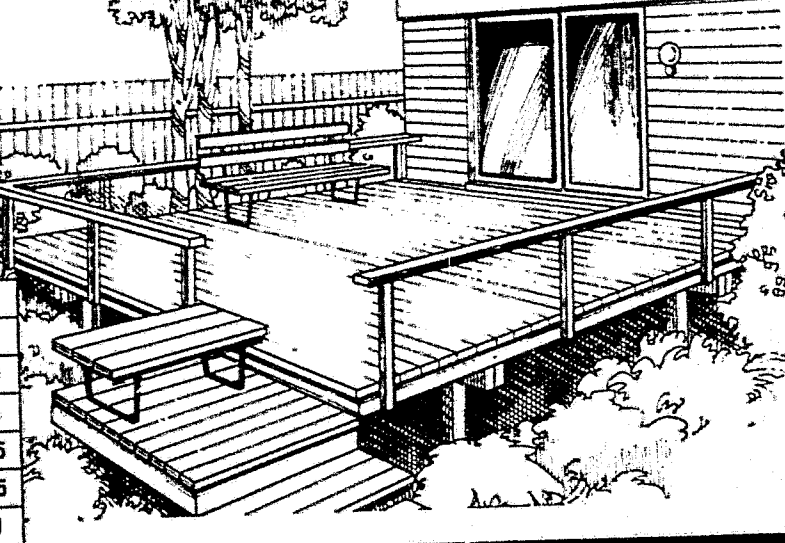
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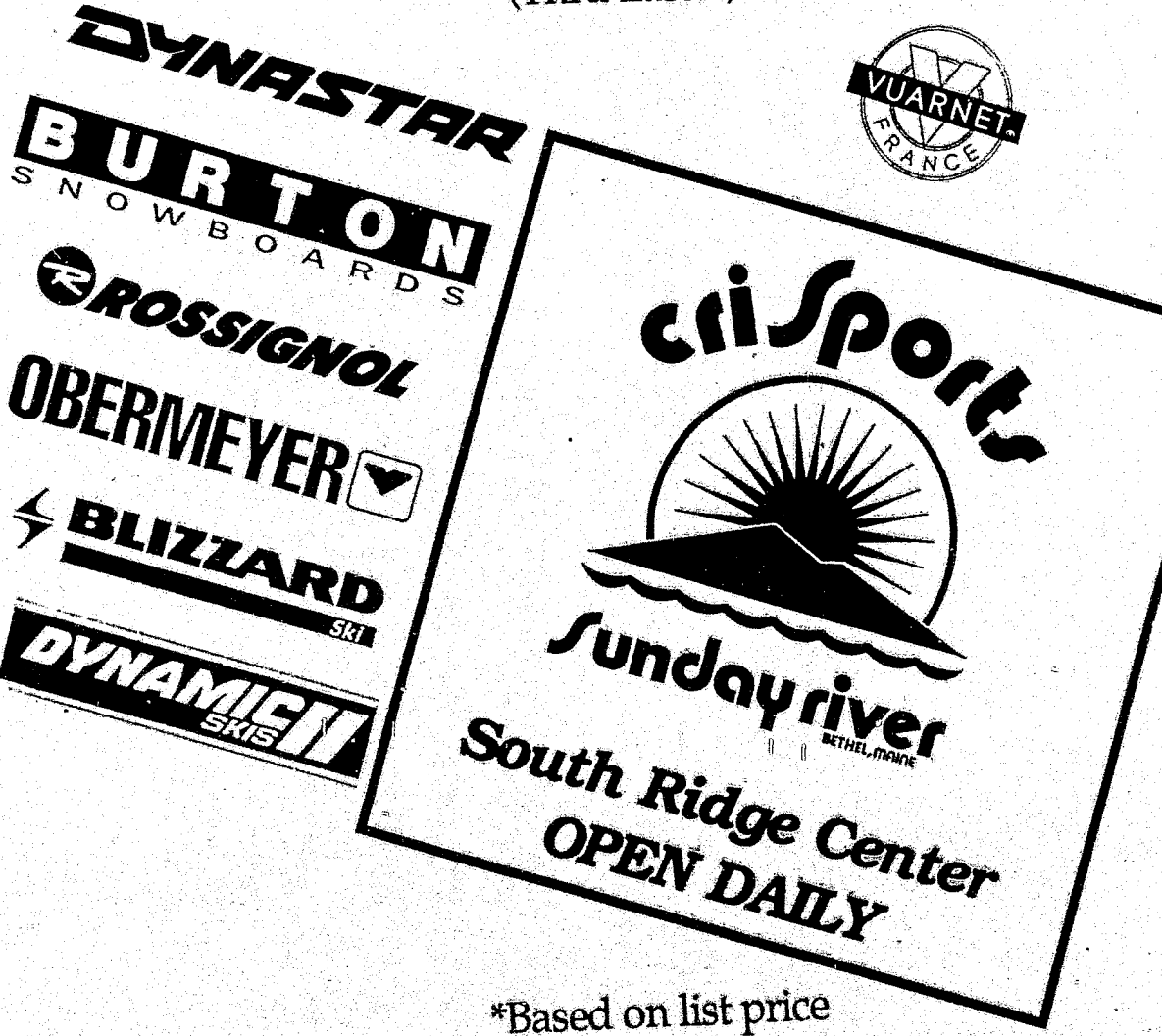
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BUILDING RENOVATIONS—Renovation work is in progress at the Woodstock Historical Society Building. Workers shown above are Carl Derher in the foreground, Mac Billings (hammering) and Raymond Burnham.
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Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Captain John Dearborn once owned the building that is now the historical museum. Come to the meeting Saturday, April 14 at 7 p.m.

On April 12 all interested individuals, business or organizations that want to know the latest information on the 175 Celebration there will be a public meeting at the Conference room at the Town Office at 7 p.m. If you are interested in a booth or sell crafts, etc, please come to this meeting.

Franklin Grange #124 met on Monday, April 2 with 25 members present. This meeting was for instruction by Deputies Louis and Myrtle Biebee. The Governor has proclaimed April 22 to 28 as Grange Week. The next meeting of Franklin Grange will be April 16. This is Booster night, (Open House) and Citizen Award presented. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served. The program was Song by all, Poem by Viva Whittman "Are You an Active Member," Song by all.

The Woodstock Extension will meet on Wednesday, April 18, at Lois Howe's. Program on Self-esteem with Wendy Legg Pollock, meeting at 1 p.m. Dessert will be served by Margaret Ring and June Demarest.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Glines, Danbury, N.H., visited her mother, Helen Ring on Wednesday.

The Woodstock Senior Citizens met on Thursday with 38 members. A very nice dinner was served at noon by the Star Birthday Club. The speaker was from Androscoggin Home Health.

Burton Hathaway took Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway to Augusta Saturday

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night to meet Victor Hathaway for dinner to celebrate Victor's birthday. Harriet and Lawrence Estes called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Hathaway one evening.

Mrs. Ruth Dunham was Sunday dinner guest of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eriand Scribner, Albany.

Songo Pond

By ALICE KIMBALL

Our electric power was off for nearly three hours Saturday morning.

Mrs. Norma Silvey attended a bridal shower at the home of Betty Smith in Gilead Saturday honoring Miss Carrie Myers, fiancée of Shawn Smith.

Saturday afternoon Norma and I were in Auburn. She also spent some time this week there while daughter Kassi was undergoing tests at C.M.M.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Frechette of South Paris and Mrs. Eva Barker of Oxford were Monday callers here.

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Locke Mills

By LORRAINE MILLS

The Greenwood Fire Department will hold a training session Tuesday, April 17 at 8:30 p.m. at the Fire Station.

The Easter Services for the Locke Mills Church are as follows: Wednesday, April 11 at 7 p.m., Bible Study, Thursday, April 12, Maundy Thursday service at 7 p.m. Holy Saturday, April 14, both churches will be open all day for prayer; just drop in. Sunday, April 15, Sunrise services approximately at 5:20 a.m. at the Locke Mills Church followed by an Easter breakfast. Church services for Locke Mills will be held at the church at 9 a.m.

Bertha Flanders, Marion Swan, Mansfield and Georgia Packard, Gladys Jordan, Lora Noyes, Helen Chase, Charlotte Cole, Mary Stone and Vera Cross were among those having a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings at the Bryant Pond Senior Citizen Group on Thursday.

Denise Swan, Melanie and Duffy Ellsworth were in Portland Saturday helping Ross Swan and family move into their new modular home in Scarborough.

Brian Stowell gave a talk on the DARE program to the American Legion and Auxiliary Thursday evening.

Lorraine and John Mills were among the 57 members and adherents of the Praise Assembly of God, Mexico, Sunday who were surprised by a large bus full of people from Pastor Rob Rainville's former church in St. Albans, Vt. Forty-three members made the trip down.

They brought guitars, drums, and other musical instruments to provide the praise and worship time and we all pooled lunches after the service. Our church board had asked us to bring a box lunch for a business meeting following the service. We did have the meeting where we

voted to accept the offer of the renting of the Community Church building on the Andover road out of Rumford Center but the lunches were more for the fellowship of the 100 people attending the service. It was a nice surprise particularly for the pastor and family. The church will be moving to the community church building for Easter Sunday.

We have been having to take one of our cats to the vets quite frequently to get her insulin adjusted as she is diabetic. It has certainly been a time of adjustment for all of us as we try to get on a schedule. No more eating when they feel like it and we have to get up early to give her the shot. Interesting.

West Greenwood

By CAROLYN COLBY

Joe Gilbert has been having a bout with pneumonia. Hope he is feeling much better now. Rosaire and Blanche Gagnon and Jean Wade of Lewiston and Auburn were up a couple of days ago. Irene and Lew Charest, Lewiston, are expected today.

Vernon and Marguerite Deegan Brown celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, March 31 at the Norway Legion Hall. Joe and Leah Deegan and all of their children, Henry, Sally and Joan except Kathy attended, as did Bob Deegan and Florence Beck. Joe and Florence had "stood up with" Vernon and Marguerite when they were married.

Today, April 7, is Joe Deegan's birthday. Leah is having lunch with him. Florence was down last night. Happy Birthday, Joe.

Also would like to wish Mary Mills a happy birthday Thursday, April 12.

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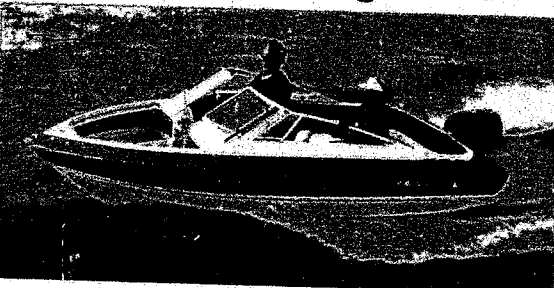
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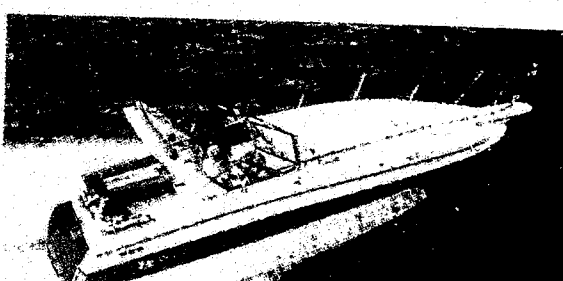
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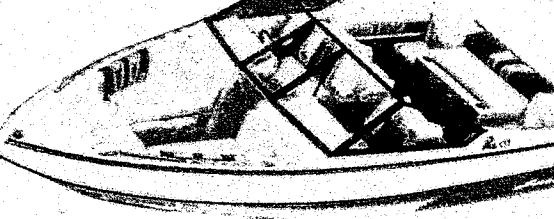
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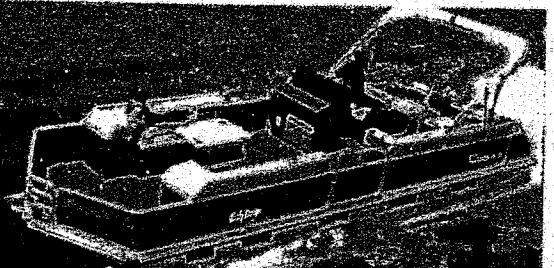
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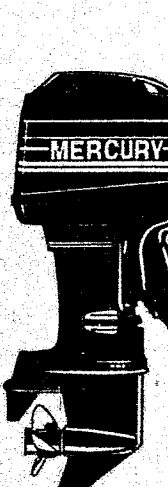


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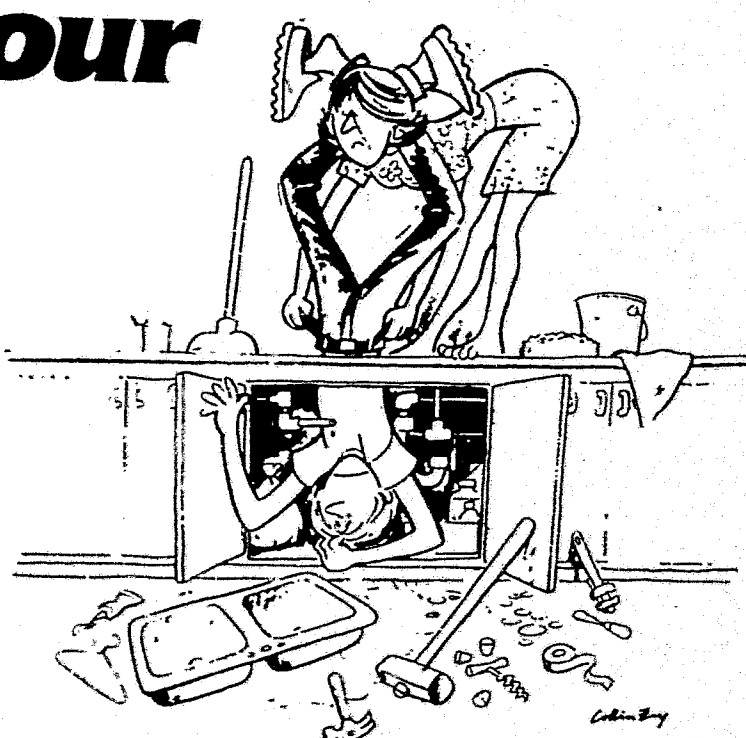
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So. Woodstock

By OLIVE R. DAVIS

The April meeting of the Historical Society will feature a film on the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) shown by Ray Burnham. This covers camps throughout Maine and in western New Hampshire. Ray would like to encourage any former CCC member to come to the meeting. There are many old costumes that have been given for you to view now.

Mary Billings called on Olive Davis Saturday afternoon.

I have one calendar and the picture book of old homes in town to sell if anyone wants them. The calendar is \$3 and the book \$10.50. The calendar has pictures of places in town, also, which some like to save in their scrapbook. These were put out by the Bryant Pond Historical Society.

We had eight inches of new snow Saturday morning when I arose. It was quite a winter all at once. Robert Benson broke out my road to find the blacktop.

Franklin Grange will be holding Open House April 16 when the Citizenship Award will be presented to some deserving citizen, not a Grange. The public is invited to join us at that time. The doors

will be open at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served after the program and a social hour enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews visited with their aunt Olive Davis Sunday afternoon. The sun came out and it sure brightens one's day with good company and a sunny afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Nowlin and daughter Deane Fisher arrived at Mrs. Nowlin's mother's, Esther Davis Sunday, from Florida. They are visiting in the community for a week. Jackie Tibbitts, Oxford, came up and spent the evening and night, Monday night with them.

Bertha Benoit who has been ill for three weeks was able to go to Grange Monday night again. I went with her.

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West Paris
By VIVA WHITMAN

What a wet and windy morning this is. Been raining since yesterday and with the wind blowing it makes for nasty weather to get out in. It seems that the weather is getting as crazy as the rest of the world is about other things. It sure doesn't sound as though we would get much good weather or see the sun much this week.

Was at the doctor's last Wednesday for back treatment and had to go again on Friday but this time it was for the bug which seemed to be getting to me and sure enough, it was. Got antibiotics to stop it before it got any farther. With Peggy having the bronchitis and being with Karlann when she was coming on with it, I contacted the bug and had to follow suit whether I wanted to or not.

Had sent for some pillow slips for Christmas gifts to do and they arrived by U.P.S. so got busy on one of those to see how pretty they would look when done. Sewed on some dresses for my girls and got the one done for Wynona. That was a pretty one that I made for her square dancing even if I do say so. Took time but came out looking real nice.

As I said, I was at the doctors on Friday and got groceries also. I go to the Co-op in Norway where the old Farmington Union used to be and get natural food for our diet and it is getting to be a busier and busier place there. They are getting in more and more things for folks to have and I think it is great.

Didn't do too much on Saturday and Peggy decided that she wasn't up to going to the dance either. Her bug has kept her from the dance for a week or two and it is hard to get rid of it.

Sunday was just another day for doing whatever I could and did feel some better so did more. Laura Hutchins called Peggy to get help in fitting some slacks that she had sent for and that didn't fit. She stopped in here for a few minutes before going home to East Andover.

We have had a treat this past week as Lawrence gave us a little maple syrup he had made. Has a few trees tapped and the year hasn't been a good one for sap running but they have managed to make a little and gave us a taste. It was real good too.

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Sunday, Feb. 25, about 30 members of the Knight Riders Snowmobile Club met at their clubhouse for coffee and donuts and then went on a trail ride with Bob Wyman as leader. They arrived back at the clubhouse in early afternoon for a fantastic dinner put on by Natalie Hunt, Ann Wyman and helpers. It has been an exceptionally good winter for snowmobiling.

The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Tent #19 met Wednesday night, Feb. 28, for their regular meeting with eight members present. The meeting was called to order by President Eleanor Nelson and all reports read and accepted. Chaplain Helen Grover, and guard and Press Correspondent Sarah Grover were installed at this time. Refreshments were served by Eleanor Nelson. The next meeting will be held March 28 with Sarah Grover at her home.

Barry Andrews, of North Waterford, has been working for Albert E. Nelson, Sr., for a few days sawing wood.

The late snowstorm brought me many new birds. My feeders were full of all kinds of them. The chickadees are my favorite.

The church choir met at the house of Mrs. Dwight Grover Monday night. Walter Heino is much better and is out again after a short stay in the hospital.

Brenda Files has been home for a few days from her work at Bethel Inn.

Miss Shirley Grant, of Auburn, visited her brother "Bob" and wife over the weekend.

Mrs. Grace Nelson has a new car and is glad to get out once more after her accident.

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Obituaries

ERROL J. BARKER SR.

Errol J. Barker Sr., 93, formerly of Norway, died Tuesday, April 2, at the Ledgewick Nursing Home in West Paris. He was born in East Stoneham, May 6, 1896, the son of John A. and Maybelle McAllister Barker. He attended Stoneham schools, and graduated from Norway High School in 1919. He also attended Bates College in Lewiston.

Mr. Barker taught schools in the Albany and Lowell areas, and had worked for many years in the area woodworking mills. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias and the East Stoneham Congregational Church. Mr. Barker had served as a selectman in Stoneham, and also served on the School Board.

He had lived in the Norway area for several years, coming from Stoneham. He married the former Gertrude Grover on Dec. 31, 1923.

He is survived by his wife of Norway; two sons, Milton H. Barker of Peabody, Mass., and Errol Barker Jr. of Oxford; two daughters, Mrs. Elaine Lagueux of Norway, and Mrs. Dorothy Morency of New Gloucester; and 13 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

IRENE C. DINGLEY

Irene C. Dingley, 60, of 24 Old Lisbon Road, died Friday night at her residence. She was born in Harrison, Sept. 3, 1929, the daughter of Elmer and Etha McAllister Dingley. She had had a lifelong mental illness, had been a patient at Pineand Hospital for 30 years, and had been a resident of 24 Old Lisbon Road for the past seven years.

She is survived by a brother, David Dingley of Norway, and her step-mother, Dora Dingley of West Paris. She was predeceased by five half-brothers, Caleb, Bonnell, Sherman, Arthur and Leslie Fleck.

Births

Edward and Brenda Powers of Newry are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Erin Elizabeth, born on March 24, 1990 at 11:36 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8lbs, 14oz. Maternal grandparents are Stan and Claire Lisak of Northridge, Mass. Paternal grandparents are Ed and Carol Powers of Uxbridge, Mass.

Wesley S. Cox and Janedee Coolidge of South Woodstock are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Desman James Cox, born on March 27, 1990 at 10:32 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9lbs, 10oz. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Coolidge of Locke Mills. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Pearl Bowman of Jefferson, Me. and the late Wesley S. Cox, Sr.

Michelle White of Norway is pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Travis Matthew White, born on March 28, 1990 at 1:23 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9lbs, 12oz. Maternal grandparents are Larry and Terri White of Norway. Maternal Great-grandmother is Elsie Coolidge of Holden, Mass.

Travis joins a sister Holly Marie, age 6.

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JOHN R. SWAN

John R. Swan, 78, died Monday, April 9, 1990 at his residence of over 40 years on the Canton Point Road, Dixfield. Born in East Bethel, March 29, 1912, he was the son of George and Linnie Reed Swan. At an early age, he moved to Dixfield where he was educated in the local school system. He was a truck driver for Timberland Corp., later was employed by the Maine Department of Transportation, and retired in 1974 from Jack Murphy's Small Engine Repair in Livermore Falls.

Mr. Swan was a great lover of horses and spent many hours showing and pulling his beautiful animals. An avid motorcyclist, he had taken many trips throughout the Northeast, including a trip to Prince Edward Island at the age of 70.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Ruth Adams Swan of Dixfield; one son, Royal Swan of Jay; a brother, Barrett Swan of Winthrop; two sisters, Mrs. Elaine Holman of Dixfield and Mrs. Elsie Rand of East Wilton; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

JACKSON-SILVER POST 68

Members of the Jackson-Silver Post 68 of the American Legion met at their hall in Locke Mills, Thursday, April 5 at 7 p.m.

The meeting was preceded by a talk by Brian Stowell, Chief of Police of Bethel, to a joint meeting of both the Legion and Auxiliary on the anti-drug program which he is heading up called DARE, Drug Abuse Resistance Education.

Chief Stowell gave an excellent presentation of a cause that merits every citizen's wholehearted support to save our young people from this great curse that has struck our nation.

The Legion is planning a benefit game night later this summer to go toward the funding of this program.

A formal business meeting was called to order by Post Commander Frank York. Reports from officers and committees of the Post were given.

Reports and discussion were given to the sending of two candidates to Boys State this year.

Mention was made of plans for "A Country Sunday" this year on May 6. Six bands will perform. Admittance will be \$5 for adults and half price for children under 12.

The nomination report was given again in accordance with by-laws. Comrade Ray Tripp's name was added to the nomination for sergeant-at-arms.

It was good to have our oldest and only charter member, Comrade Alanson Cummings with us. He hasn't been able to attend much this past winter. He expressed his appreciation of having some of the members of the Post call on him during the winter.

A sad part of the meeting was the formal "Draping of the Charter" for the passing of our oldest member, Comrade Lorraine Phaudler.

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THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

Approximately 50 people attended the April meeting of the Bethel Historical Society to hear Society Director Stanley R. Howe speak on the subject of diaries and local history.

Howe focused on the reasons people keep or have in the past kept diaries. Is it because they wished to be remembered, or because the noting of experiences refreshes one's memory at a later time? Howe asked. Is the diary written for the diarist or for others? How much of a role does loneliness play in diary making?

Most of these diaries were not written to create a favorable impression of one's self, he said. Always check the views of the diarist with other sources to see how they fit, Howe advised.

Specifically, Howe addressed the characteristics of several Bethel area diaries, carefully assessing their relative merit as historical sources.

Some provided extensive social history while others never got beyond the discussion of the weather or repetitious events.

During the business portion of the meeting, president Marvin Ovinga announced that the next meeting would be held on May 3 and would feature a slide show of old photographs of the Andover area by Allan Fraser.

CARL HANSEN ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR SELECTMAN

Carl Howe Hansen of Mason Street, Bethel has announced his candidacy for selectman.

Hansen is a 37-year old, self-employed businessman in Bethel. He is married to Nancy Jones Hansen and has three children, Riley, seven; Lauren, five; and Parker, one.

The theme for his candidacy will be communication.

"A selectman has to be able to patiently listen to all sides of an issue and communicate effectively with people. Selectmen have to remember that they represent the interests of the entire town," Hansen says.

Hansen hopes to use his management experience as a tool for better government. He said, "Town government has to evolve with the times. The pressure is on, as state and federal budgets are cut, for towns to find new ways to fund the working of government. The first step is the efficient management of town spending. The key to our future has to be

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The Andover Historical Society would be invited to attend. The Artifact of the Month for April is a pre-1800 photograph of Main Street, Bethel, donated by Richard Bryant.

The president congratulated Mary Keniston for her fine article in the recent issue of the Society's quarterly, the Bethel Courier, on the history of Mill Hill.

20 years ago: Cindy Tift was crowned queen at the Greater Bethel Chamber of Commerce Spring Queen Coronation program.

The Lions Club of Bethel was selling light bulbs to raise funds for needy children in the area with sight deficiencies.

Little snow fell during the past winter but extensive damage was done to trees in the area by ice and wind.

Dana and Mildred Jackson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a potluck supper at their home.

Birth: Kelly Jordan, Laurie Sue Howard, Marriage: Gordon Lee Colby and Carol Frances Young, Dennis D. Jackson and Patricia L. Dunham. Deaths: Everett DeNormandie, Mark W. Rix.

30 years ago: The mobile home of Lloyd McGuire of Paradise was a total loss due to a fire.

The families of Alfred Leighton and James Stone were made homeless following a fire on Mechanic Street.

cooperation. Neighboring towns, especially those in SAD #44 need to communicate regularly. They will need to share available resources and together plan for our emergence into the 21st century. Besides education for our children, solid waste, mutual aid for fire department and rescue, equitable tax assessment, road maintenance and other issues can be handled better by cooperating with each other."

Hansen encourages a dialogue within the town and between the towns. He welcomes all those interested in the issues to discuss them with him. "An important part of being a selectman is education. No one can pretend to have all the answers but, through communication, the issues become apparent and can be thoughtfully addressed."

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Bethel appeals board refuses Port Sports' sign request

The Bethel Board of Appeals on Monday voted to deny a request by the owners of Port Sports for a modification in the town's site plan ordinance which would have allowed them to keep the oversized sign at their Cross Street store.

"I've gone over it very carefully and although I feel very sorry for the fellows, I don't think emotions should enter into it," said appeals board member Robert Crane.

Crane moved that Port Sports appeal be denied. The board voted to support Crane's motion and appeals board chairman Leland Brown asked Bethel Planning Assistant Rockie Graham to draft a letter to Port Sports owners Frank and Steve Wittier informing them of the appeal decision.

April 5, Attorney Jonathan Brogan of Portland, arguing for the Wittiers. Brogan said he was basing the appeal on a "special circumstances" clause in the town's site plan ordinance.

"We could call it a modification or a variance," Brogan said. "But you do have the power to grant a variance."

Port Sports' sign on Cross Street is larger than allowed in a 25 mph zone.

According to Graham, the sign is larger than the largest sign allowed in Bethel under the ordinance.

The Wittiers previously had asked the planning board to approve a modification in the ordinance that would allow Port Sports to keep its oversized sign.

With the planning boards denial, the Wittiers brought their request to the appeals board.

At the appeals board meeting, Steve Wittier said, "Where we are located, in an industrial zone, it is not harming [anyone] or causing an inconvenience in any way... we do feel we need that sign in order for us to survive against such stiff competition."

The businesses and business buildings in Bethel prior to the adoption of the ordinance are grandfathered and do not come under the ordinance unless the type of business is changed. Thus, business in existence at a location prior to Feb. 15, 1989, can erect a sign without coming to the planning board for approval.

"It's frustrating when you are a small business and you need this type of exposure," Wittier said.

Planning board member Don Feeney, who attended the appeals board meeting, said, "The site plan review ordinance is probably far from perfect but it is endorsed by the people of Bethel."

Appeals board member Kenneth Ramage said, "We do have an ordinance, such as it may be, of which at two sessions the planning board has chosen to uphold. But in the ordinance there's a process for amendments. Why did you come to us instead of going the amendment route?"

"An amendment would be an extraordinary expense and we felt the planning board was reading the ordinance in much too restrictive a way."

"I don't think we're asking for extraordinary treatment. I think we're asking for something within the power of the planning board to grant. We're asking [the appeals board] to do what the planning board wouldn't."

Ernest Angevine, a Bethel resident who owns property across from Port Sports on Cross Street, said he thought the sign was an asset to Cross Street. Alberta Angevine said, "When I come down Cross Street, I look at that sign. It's so beautiful it looks like a ray of sunshine."

Appeals board member Crane said, "I don't think anybody on the board thinks it's an unattractive sign. But you [Wittier] broke the law and you want us to condone it."

Bethel resident Kirk Seigal said the intent of the ordinance is to keep Bethel from looking like North Conway, N.H. and Freeport.

"I think you just have to draw the line," Seigal said.

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